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1	[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
2	ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2016 ON PAGE 140]
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6	[GAVEL]
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8	HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD AFTERNOON, AUDIENCE. THE LOS ANGELES
9	COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, JANUARY 19, 2016 MEETING WILL
10	COME TO ORDER. THE INVOCATION THIS AFTERNOON WILL BE LED BY
11	REVEREND TRACEY JOHNSON FROM THE MURPH CHAPEL- ST. PAUL A.M.E
12	CHURCH IN VALINDA. AND THE PLEDGE WILL BE LED BY GREGORY J.
13	MESSINGER, RESERVE, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS FROM MONROVIA.
14	THANK YOU.
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16	REVEREND TRACEY JOHNSON: SHALL WE ALL STAND IN PRAYER? DEAR
17	GOD, WE THANK YOU FOR ANOTHER DAY TO BE ALIVE. THANK YOU,
18	LORD, FOR THIS ASSEMBLY, FOR US COMING TOGETHER, OH, GOD, FOR
19	THE PEOPLE OF GOD. GOD, WE THANK YOU FOR THE LEADERS. WE PRAY
20	FOR WISDOM. WE PRAY, OH, GOD, FOR STRENGTH. WE PRAY FOR PEACE
21	AND MOST IMPORTANTLY WE PRAY FOR JOY. WE ASK, OH, GOD, THAT
22	YOU REMOVE THE STRESS AND GIVE US THE POWER TO MOVE IN A
23	DIRECTION WHERE YOU ALL WANT US TO GO OF ONE ACCORD. LET US
24	REMEMBER THAT GREAT SERVICE IS MOVED BY HUMILITY, IS MOVED BY
25	COMPASSION. IS MOVED BY FERVOR. AND IS MOVED BY LOVE. SO. GOD

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- 1 WE THANK YOU. BLESS THIS PLACE. KEEP US, OH, GOD, IN YOUR
- 2 CARE. HOLD US IN YOUR ARMS. IN JESUS' NAME, WE PRAY, AMEN.
- 3 AMEN AND AMEN.

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- 5 GREGORY J. MESSINGER: PLEASE REMAIN STANDING. PLEASE FACE THE
- 6 FLAG AND PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. IF YOU'RE A
- 7 VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE AND JOIN ME IN THE
- 8 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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10 GREGORY J. MESSINGER: THANK YOU.

- 12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, REVEREND JOHNSON, FOR LEADING
- 13 US THIS AFTERNOON IN THE INVOCATION. I SAW YOU JUST YESTERDAY
- 14 IN WEST COVINA CELEBRATING THE ANNUAL OR 17TH ANNUAL MARTIN
- 15 LUTHER KING DAY CELEBRATION. REVEREND TRACEY JOHNSON IS IN HIS
- 16 12TH YEAR OF HIS PASTORAL CAREER AND HAS WORKED IN A VARIETY
- 17 OF CAPACITIES DURING THE COURSE OF HIS MINISTRY. IN THE FALL
- 18 OF 2015, HE WAS APPOINTED AS SENIOR PASTOR OF MURPH CHAPEL
- 19 A.M.E. CHURCH IN VALINDA, WHO RECENTLY CELEBRATED THEIR 35TH
- 20 ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY. BEFORE ARRIVING AT MURPH CHAPEL A.M.E.
- 21 CHURCH, HE SERVED AT CHURCHES IN LONG BEACH, TEMECULA, CORONA
- 22 AND LOS ANGELES. UPON COMPLETION OF HIS EDUCATION AT CAL STATE
- 23 UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE, HE WAS ORDAINED AS AN ITINERANT ELDER
- 24 IN THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH. HE SERVED AS
- 25 ASSOCIATE PASTOR AND CODIRECTOR OF SONS OF SUCCESS, A RIGHTS

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- 1 OF PASSAGE MINISTRY AT BRYANT TEMPLE A.M.E. CHURCH, WHERE HE
- 2 LED THE CHARGE IN MENTORING YOUNG MEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 15
- 3 THROUGH 18. HE IS CURRENTLY ATTENDING BIOLA UNIVERSITY, AND
- 4 PASTOR JOHNSON AND HIS WIFE OF 18 YEARS, HEATHER, AND SON JOE
- 5 VAN CHRISTIAN, WE THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE THIS
- 6 AFTERNOON WITH US. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MEMBERS, WHILE WE'RE WAITING FOR ONE OF
- 9 OUR OTHER SUPERVISORS TO JOIN US, WE'LL GO AHEAD AND ASK THE
- 10 EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO CALL THE AGENDA.

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- 12 AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.: GOOD MORNING, MADAME
- 13 CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA, WE WILL BEGIN
- 14 ON PAGE 3. ON ITEM R-1, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS
- 15 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 2, 2016. ON ITEMS R-2, R-3 AND
- 16 R-4, THESE ITEMS ARE RELATED AND WILL BE HELD TOGETHER FOR A
- 17 REPORT.

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19 SUP. KNABE: CALLED UP AT THE SAME TIME, CORRECT?

- 21 AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.: CORRECT. ON PAGE 4,
- 22 SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
- 23 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ON ITEMS 1-P, 2-P, 3-P
- 24 AND 4-P AND 5-P, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
- 25 THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



- 1 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8, ON ITEMS 1 AND 2 A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE
- 2 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3, THIS
- 3 INCLUDES THE REVISION AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND
- 4 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
- 5 ITEMS 4 AND 5, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT
- 6 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 6, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A
- 7 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS
- 8 7 AND 8, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE
- 9 ITEMS BE HELD. AND ON ITEM 7, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT
- 10 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 9
- 11 THROUGH 36, ON ITEMS 9 AND 10 AND 11, 12, AND 13, A MEMBER OR
- 12 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON
- 13 ITEMS 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 AND 19, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE
- 14 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 20,
- 15 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
- 16 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 21, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
- 17 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 23, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
- 18 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 24, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
- 19 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
- 20 JANUARY 26, 2016. ON ITEM NO. 30, THIS INCLUDES THE PROPOSED
- 21 AMENDMENT AS NOTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS
- 22 ITEM, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
- 23 ITEM 33, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
- 24 HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE
- 25 BEFORE YOU.

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- 2 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ITEM'S BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
- 3 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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- 5 AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 22,
- 6 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM NO. 37, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE
- 7 FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE, TITLE 3, ADVISORY
- 8 COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES TO SPECIFY THAT A TRAUMA SURGEON
- 9 FROM THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, AMERICAN COLLEGE OF
- 10 SURGEONS WILL BE A MEMBER, AND ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER OF THE
- 11 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 26, NOTICE OF
- 12 CLOSED SESSION, ON ITEM C.S.-1 AND C.S.-2, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS
- 13 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. THAT COMPLETES
- 14 THE READING OF THE AGENDA, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS
- 15 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 4. THANK YOU.

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- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: BEFORE WE BEGIN, I'D LIKE TO ASK
- 18 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO BE RECOGNIZED.

- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH: OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS GIVEN TODAY BY
- 21 GREGORY MESSINGER, A RESIDENT OF MONROVIA, A UNITED STATES
- 22 MARINE CORPS RESERVE, AT THIS TIME, GUNNERY SERGEANT E-7,
- 23 SERVED IN IRAQ AND WAS HIS LAST UNIT WAS THE WOUNDED WARRIOR
- 24 BATTALION WEST. HE RECEIVED THE NAVY-MARINE CORPS COMMENDATION
- 25 MEDAL FOURTH AWARE, WHICH WERE RELATED TO COMBAT OPERATIONS,

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- 1 IN THE IRAO CAMPAIGN, SERVICE MEDAL, OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER
- 2 SERVICE MEDAL, GOOD CONDUCT, GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE
- 3 MEDAL ALONG WITH A NATIONAL DEFENSE RIBBON, OVERSEAS
- 4 DEPLOYMENT, AND EXPERT RIFLE AND EXPERT PISTOL AWARD. HE'S
- 5 EMPLOYED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, WITH
- 6 THE VETERAN INTERN, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT, MARRIED WITH HIS
- 7 WIFE, VERONICA. AND HE IS GETTING CLOSE TO RECEIVING HIS
- 8 BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ACCOUNTING FROM NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. SO,
- 9 GREGORY, THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
- 10 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED
- 13 FOR PRESENTATIONS.

- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ROBBYN BATTLES HAS DONE A SUPERB JOB, FORMER
- 16 CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR HER LEADERSHIP IN
- 17 THE COMMUNITY AND HER EFFORTS IN BRINGING THE CRESCENTA VALLEY
- 18 CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY AT THE LA CRESCENTA LIBRARY.
- 19 THIS EVENT THIS PAST DECEMBER, WE HAD OVER 1,200 PEOPLE, MANY
- 20 OF THEM THE YOUNG CHILDREN. AND WHAT WAS HAPPENING AFTER THE
- 21 GREAT, WONDERFUL CEREMONY WITH THE LIBRARIAN FOR THE LA
- 22 CRESCENTA LIBRARY AND THE COMMUNITY THERE, ALL THE STUDENTS
- 23 WENT UPSTAIRS AND THEY WERE READING BOOKS AND INVOLVED IN
- 24 THEIR COMMUNITY. WE'RE VERY PLEASED OF HER LEADERSHIP. WE WERE
- 25 GOING TO HAVE THIS PRESENTED DURING THE DECEMBER AREA, BUT

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- 1 BECAUSE OF TIME, I GUESS SCHEDULING PROBLEMS, WE DID IT NOW.
- 2 BUT I WANT TO RECOGNIZE ROBBYN'S GREAT LEADERSHIP ON THE
- 3 CRESCENTA TOWN COUNCIL AND THAT LIBRARY CHRISTMAS TREE
- 4 LIGHTING CEREMONY, WHICH WAS SPECTACULAR. AND I JUST WANT TO
- 5 THANK THE TOWN COUNCIL ALONG WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS WHO HELPED
- 6 ASSIST WITH THE LIBRARY ON THAT. SO, CONGRATULATIONS.
- 7 [APPLAUSE.] DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?

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- 9 ROBBYN BATTLES: WELL, I GUESS I WASN'T PREPARED TO SAY
- 10 ANYTHING. I WILL SIMPLY SAY THAT IT HAS BEEN WONDERFUL WORKING
- 11 ALONGSIDE WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. HE HAS BEEN SO VERY
- 12 SUPPORTIVE OF OUR LA CRESCENTA COMMUNITY. I'M GOING TO MISS
- 13 YOU SINCE I'M NOT GOING TO BE ON COUNCIL ANYMORE, BUT I'M
- 14 STILL GOING TO BE AROUND, AND WE WILL ABSOLUTELY CONTINUE OUR
- 15 TRADITION OF THE LA CRESCENTA CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING, AND
- 16 I'LL BE THERE ALONGSIDE THE LIBRARIAN AND ALL THE KIDS TO MAKE
- 17 THAT HAPPEN AGAIN THIS COMING YEAR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 18 [APPLAUSE.]

- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SUPERVISOR KNABE IS GOING TO HELP ME WITH
- 21 THIS, AS WELL, AS WE RECOGNIZE DR. SO KANG-SUK, MEMBER OF THE
- 22 CHURCH IN SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA WHICH IS THE LARGEST CHRISTIAN
- 23 CHURCH IN KOREA WITH OVER 40,000 MEMBERS. 40,000 MEMBERS. THE
- 24 QUESTION IS: DO YOU THINK THE PASTOR MEMORIZES ALL THOSE
- 40,000 NAMES? LET US KNOW THE SECRET IF YOU DO. UNDER HIS

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- 1 LEADERSHIP, THE CHURCH HAS INVITED OVER 1,000 UNITED STATES
- 2 KOREAN WAR VETERANS SINCE 2007 FOR AN ALL EXPENSE TRIP TO
- 3 KOREA FOR HELPING DEFEND THEIR FREEDOM DURING THAT KOREAN
- 4 CONFLICT. ON AUGUST 31ST, 2011, DR. SUK WAS INVITED TO BE THE
- 5 KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE VETERANS ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, FOREIGN
- 6 WARS ANNUAL MEETING IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, WHERE HE WAS
- 7 AWARDED THE COMMANDING GENERAL'S GOLD MEDAL OF HONOR FOR HIS
- 8 EXTRAORDINARY EFFORTS TO BUILD A STRONG RELATIONSHIP,
- 9 PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND KOREA. HE'S ALSO THE
- 10 RECIPIENT OF THE KOREAN PRESIDENTIAL AWARD. SO LET US GIVE YOU
- 11 THIS PROCLAMATION SIGNED BY THE FIVE SUPERVISORS AND WISH YOU
- 12 CONTINUED SUCCESS AND LET US KNOW THAT SECRET HOW YOU MEMORIZE
- 13 40,000 NAMES. [LAUGHTER.] [APPLAUSE.]

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- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH: LET ME SAY, PAUL WAS FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE
- 16 UNITED STATES PEACE CORPS UNDER PRESIDENT BUSH AND NOW WITH
- 17 THE UNITED NATIONS HELPING TO BRING COMPUTERS TO THE CHILDREN
- 18 DISADVANTAGED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

- 20 SPEAKER: THANK YOU, MIKE. MIKE AND DON AND I HAVE BEEN FRIENDS
- 21 FOR OVER 30 YEARS. SO I WAS DELIGHTED THAT THIS BOARD OF
- 22 SUPERVISORS APPOINTED ME TO THE CITIZENS ECONOMY EFFICIENCY
- 23 COMMISSION, DID I SAY IT RIGHT? SO I'M TRYING TO SERVE YOU,
- 24 THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I WANT
- 25 TO SHARE WITH YOU A FEW SLIDES, OKAY? BECAUSE THAT EXPLAINS



- 1 WHAT REVEREND SUK DID FOR THOUSANDS OF VETERANS. IN FACT, SOME
- 2 OF THEM ARE STANDING RIGHT BEHIND US, TO THANK THEM. SO TODAY
- 3 HE CAME TO THANK THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR WHAT COUNTY
- 4 PLAYED IN TERMS OF SUPPORTING KOREA. SO, TONY, IF YOU ARE
- 5 READY, I'M READY. OKAY? SO, HE'S NEXT. OKAY. THIS IS THE
- 6 40,000 CHURCH WORSHIP SERVICE. THEY HAVE ABOUT SIX SERVICES
- 7 THIS IS ABOUT ONE SIXTH. NEXT. THIS IS WHAT YOU GOT TO SEE.
- 8 OUR VETERANS YOU SEE IN THE BACK OF ME, WHEN THEY ARRIVE,
- 9 CHILDREN WITH THE AMERICAN FLAG AND KOREAN FLAG WELCOME THEM.
- 10 I WISH YOU COULD HAVE BEEN THERE. THESE SOLDIERS, VETERANS
- 11 CRIED, BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN TOUCHED. NEXT. THEN I MET THE
- 12 SECOND CORPS COMMANDER, FOUR-STAR GENERAL. I SAID, "DO YOU
- 13 GIVE PARADE ANYMORE?" HE SAID, "YES." "YOU GOT TO GIVE A
- 14 PARADE TO THESE VETERANS WHO FOUGHT FOR KOREA." HE SAID,
- 15 "WE'LL DO IT." SO, REVEREND SUK AND I WENT DOWN AND HERE'S
- 16 REVEREND SUK IN THAT FOUR-STAR GENERAL'S CAR. NEXT. THERE'S
- 17 REVEREND SUK AND THE PRESIDENT OF KOREAN WAR VETERANS
- 18 ASSOCIATION. NEXT. AND HERE, THIS IS A TEAR-JERKING SCENE. THE
- 19 VETERANS OF KOREAN WAR, WE INVITE THEM TO KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL,
- 20 AND ON THE WALL THERE IS THE NAME OF THE SOLDIERS WHO DIED,
- 21 ABOUT 34,000. AND WHEN THESE SOLDIERS FOUND THEIR BUDDIES,
- 22 THEY PUT THEIR FINGERS AND THEY CRIED. IN FACT, I'M GETTING
- 23 EMOTIONAL. NEXT. AND THIS IS ONE OF THE PICTURES, 2007. DR.
- 24 SUK AND HIS CHURCH INVITED OVER 100 PEOPLE, ONE WEEK EXPENSE
- 25 PAY TO KOREA TO HONOR THEM, JUST TO SAY THANK YOU. NEXT. THIS

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- 1 IS 2008, SAME GROUP, DIFFERENT PEOPLE. NEXT. THEN 2010, 2011,
- 2 2012, 2013, TWO THOUSAND -- THIS SHOULD BE 14, BUT I MADE A
- 3 TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR. I'M A HUMAN BEING. OKAY, SO, THIS IS THE
- 4 PICTURE. NEXT. THERE IS THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS WENT TO KOREAN
- 5 NATIONAL CEMETERY TO PAY RESPECT TO THOSE WHO DIED IN THE WAR.
- 6 NEXT. THERE IS DR. SUK INVITED TO BE KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE
- 7 KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION IN NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, WHERE
- 8 GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR MUSEUM IS LOCATED. DR. SUK IS
- 9 SPEAKING. NEXT. HERE HE RECEIVED THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
- 10 AWARD FROM KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION. NEXT. THIS IS THE
- 11 DOUGLAS MACARTHUR MUSEUM. NEXT. HERE HE WAS INVITED BY
- 12 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS. YOU KNOW, THIS IS ONE OF THE LARGEST
- 13 VETERANS GROUPS. THEY RECOGNIZED HIS CONTRIBUTION, SO THEY
- 14 INVITED HIM TO BE A KEYNOTE SPEAKER AND GIVE HIM THE GOLD
- 15 MEDAL OF HONOR. NEXT. HERE HE WAS ADDRESSING 30,000 VETERANS
- 16 WHO CAME FOR CONVENTION. AND GUESS WHAT? HE GOT STANDING
- 17 OVATION. NEXT. AND HERE IS THE AWARD, GOLD MEDAL MERIT, GIVEN
- 18 BY THE COMMANDING GENERAL. NEXT. HERE DR. SUK WAS INVITED BY
- 19 MARTIN LUTHER KING PARADE AND HE WAS NOT JUST ONE OF THE
- 20 PARTICIPANTS, HE WAS GRAND MARSHAL. CAN YOU IMAGINE? ONE YEAR
- 21 I WAS ABLE TO RIDE WITH HIM. NEXT. HE WISH TO THANK THE BOARD
- 22 OF SUPERVISORS FOR AWARDING HIM THIS RESOLUTION HE WILL NEVER
- 23 FORGET YOU FOR THAT. NEXT. DR. SUK WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK
- 24 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN.] 1 2 INTERPRETER: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR GIVING ME THIS 3 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD. 4 5 DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN.] 6 7 8 INTERPRETER: I WANT YOU TO KNOW EVERY MORNING, I'M PRAYING FOR 9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. 10 DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN.] 11 12 13 INTERPRETER: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA GAVE US THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST AND ALSO PROTECTED US FROM THE COMMUNIST AGGRESSION. 14 15 16 DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN.] 17 18 INTERPRETER: BECAUSE WE WANT TO THANK THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS, 19 WE INVITE THEM 10 YEARS STRAIGHT JUST TO SAY THANK YOU. 20 DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN] 21 22 23 INTERPRETER: AT THIS TIME, I'M GOING TO SALUTE THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS WHO ARE STANDING BEHIND HIM. 24

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DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN] 1 2 INTERPRETER: UNITED STATES WAS STARTED BY PIONEERS WHO 3 BELIEVED IN CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES. 4 5 DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN] 6 7 8 INTERPRETER: I FEEL THAT CHRISTIANITY PLAYED A VERY IMPORTANT 9 ROLE IN MAKING AMERICA THE GREATEST NATION IN THE WORLD. I PRAY THAT AMERICA WILL REMAIN GREATEST NATION IN THE WORLD. 10 11 DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN] 12 13 INTERPRETER: WE NEED TO HAVE AMERICA TO BE STRONG AND FREE. 14 15 THEN, COUNTRIES LIKE KOREA WILL BE ABLE TO BE FREE AND ENJOY 16 THE FREEDOM. 17 18 DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN] 19 INTERPRETER: I PRAY THAT GOD WILL BLESS LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND 20 21 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. 22 23 DR. SO KANG SUK: [SPEAKING KOREAN] 24

INTERPRETER: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 2 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LITTLE 20-WEEK-OLD
- 3 FEMALE CHIHUAHUA MIX. HER NAME IS BROWNIE LOOKING FOR A HOME.
- 4 THIS IS LITTLE BROWNIE. AND SHE ALSO WORE PURPLE TODAY. SHE
- 5 KNEW THE UNIFORM OF THE DAY, PURPLE. SO LITTLE BROWNIE IS
- 6 LOOKING FOR A HOME. YOU CAN CALL 562-256-1649. OH, YEAH. THANK
- 7 YOU. THANK YOU. OH, YOU'RE SO CUTE. TAKE A PICTURE OF YOU.
- 8 BECAUSE IF YOU SMILE, BROWNIE, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO GET A 50-YARD
- 9 FOOTBALL STADIUM SEAT WHEN THE INGLEWOOD RAMS PLAY, BECAUSE I
- 10 SEE MAYOR BUTTS IS IN THE AUDIENCE SAYING MAYBE I WANT TO
- 11 ADOPT BROWNIE AND TAKE HER TO INGLEWOOD TO BE THE MASCOT OF
- 12 THE INGLEWOOD RAMS. I SEE HIM SMILING. I SEE A LITTLE BIT OF
- 13 ENCOURAGEMENT. SO, NOTICE HOW BROWNIE PERKED UP WHEN SHE HEARD
- 14 THAT THE MAYOR BUTTS OF INGLEWOOD IS HERE IN THE FRONT ROW
- 15 WAITING TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD. OKAY. SO, LITTLE BROWNIE.
- 16 SO, ANYWAY, LOOKING FOR A HOME. LITTLE BROWNIE WILL BE THE
- 17 LITTLE LOVE OF YOUR LIFE. THANK YOU.

- 19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, MEMBERS, I'D LIKE
- 20 TO CALL UP MR. FARRELL CHILES. WELCOME TO THE BOARD OF
- 21 SUPERVISORS MEETING. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE FARRELL CHILES FOR
- 22 HIS SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY AND TO OUR COUNTRY. HE GREW UP IN
- 23 THE CITY OF DETROIT, HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE FIRST DISTRICT
- 24 AND THE CITY OF POMONA SINCE 1989. MR. CHILES IS A VETERAN OF
- 25 OUR UNITED STATES ARMY, HAVING ACHIEVED THE RANK OF CHIEF

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- 1 WARRANT OFFICER. HE WAS DRAFTED BACK IN 1970 AND SERVED IN TWO
- 2 CAMPAIGNS IN VIETNAM FROM 1970 THROUGH 1972. AFTER SERVING HIS
- 3 COUNTRY PROUDLY, MR. CHILES WENT ON TO SERVE HIS COMMUNITY. HE
- 4 WORKED AT THE V.A. IN WEST LOS ANGELES FROM 1993 THROUGH 1995.
- 5 HE ALSO WAS APPOINTED TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS
- 6 THE VICE PRESIDENT OF RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE TUSKEGEE
- 7 AIRMEN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION. MR. CHILES ALSO SERVED AS CHAIR
- 8 OF THE BLACKS IN GOVERNMENT, KNOWN AS B.I.G., NATIONAL
- 9 ORGANIZATION FROM 2002-2006, LEADING THEM DURING A PERIOD OF
- 10 UNPRECEDENTED GROWTH. WE WANT TO THANK HIM ON BEHALF OF THE
- 11 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR BEING AN OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY
- 12 LEADER, MENTOR AND SOMEONE WHO HAS CONSISTENTLY STOOD UP WHEN
- 13 HE NEEDED TO BE THERE PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR. THANK YOU SO
- 14 MUCH. WE'RE DELIGHTED YOU'RE HERE.

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- 16 FARRELL CHILES: I'D LIKE TO THANK CHAIR HILDA SOLIS AND THE
- 17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M VERY HONORED TO RECEIVE THIS AWARD
- 18 FOR SOMETHING THAT I JUST ENJOY DOING. I BELIEVE IN SERVICE. I
- 19 GOT IT FROM MY FATHER. IT'S A FAMILY TRADITION. I'M JUST VERY
- 20 PROUD TO BE A PART OF L.A. COUNTY. AND I APPRECIATE THIS AWARD
- 21 TODAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

- 23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AT THIS TIME, I'M ALSO HONORED TO CALL UP
- 24 MY GOOD FRIEND AND FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST COVINA,
- 25 MR. FRED SYKES. GOOD AFTERNOON. TODAY WE HONOR MR. SYKES FOR



- 1 HIS LIFETIME OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF
- 2 LOS ANGELES AND WITH THE CITY OF WEST COVINA. HE WAS A
- 3 GRADUATE OF COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL AND WAS NO STRANGER TO HARD
- 4 TIMES AND STRUGGLES. DESPITE THE OBSTACLES HE FACED AS A YOUNG
- 5 MAN, HE PURSUED HIS EDUCATION AT COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND
- 6 LATER AT CAL STATE LOS ANGELES. HIS PUBLIC SERVICE BEGAN AT
- 7 THE COMPTON POLICE DEPARTMENT BACK IN 1971, WHERE HE SERVED AS
- 8 A COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER. HE THEN JOINED THE LOS ANGELES
- 9 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN 1973 AND SPENT THE NEXT 33
- 10 YEARS PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES. HE WON COMMENDATIONS FROM
- 11 U.S. SECRET SERVICE IN 1983, FROM DOWNEY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN
- 12 1975 DURING HIS TIME OF SERVICE. HIS PUBLIC SERVICE DID NOT
- 13 END WITH RETIREMENT IN 2006. HE BECAME ACTIVE IN OUR COMMUNITY
- 14 AND SERVED ON MANY COMMISSIONS BETWEEN 2008 TO 2010. AND IN
- 15 2011, HE WAS ELECTED TO THE WEST COVINA CITY COUNCIL, WHERE HE
- 16 BECAME THE CITY'S FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN MAYOR IN 2014. SOME
- 17 OF HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE THE CREATION OF A WEST COVINA
- 18 APP, WHICH PROVIDES EASY ACCESS TO SERVICES AT A FINGER'S
- 19 TOUCH. AND ONE OF HIS FOCUSES HAS BEEN ON TRANSPARENCY,
- 20 GREATER PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT IN GOVERNMENT. AND SOME OF HIS
- 21 ACHIEVEMENTS IN THAT AREA INCLUDE IMPROVED ACCESSIBILITY TO
- 22 CITY RECORDS AND RESTORATION OF ONLINE LIVE STREAMING OF CITY
- 23 MEETINGS. THEREFORE TODAY I JOIN WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 24 TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU, MR. FRED SYKES, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, YOUR
- 25 COURAGE, YOUR INTEGRITY IN SERVING THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES

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- 1 COUNTY AND THE FIRST DISTRICT. THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE.
- 2 [APPLAUSE.]

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- 4 FRED SYKES: GOOD AFTERNOON. AND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 5 THANK YOU FOR THIS HONOR. I AM GREATLY APPRECIATIVE OF THIS.
- 6 THE LAST TIME I WAS HERE, THE CHAIR, HE SAYS, HEY, YOU CAN'T
- 7 SPEAK TOO LONG. [LAUGHTER.] AND SO I DIDN'T REALLY HAVE
- 8 ANYTHING IN MIND IN PARTICULAR TO SAY OTHER THAN THANK YOU.
- 9 THANK YOU ALL FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE HERE TODAY TO RECOGNIZE
- 10 THIS. AND IT WAS A PLEASURE, ALL MY LIFE AS A DEPUTY SHERIFF,
- 11 AND WHEN I RETIRED 10 YEARS AGO, I HAD NO CLUE THAT I WOULD BE
- 12 INVOLVED WITH THE COMMUNITY; BUT ONCE YOU LOOK AROUND AND YOU
- 13 SEE THINGS AND YOU SAY, YOU KNOW, I COULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
- 14 AND THAT'S ALL I WAS TRYING TO DO WAS JUST MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
- 15 SO THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
- 18 THOMAS?

- 20 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. IT
- 21 GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO INVITE TO THE PODIUM THE HONORABLE
- 22 JAMES T. BUTTS, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD. AND
- 23 INGLEWOOD HAS ONCE AGAIN DISTINGUISHED ITSELF, MADAME CHAIR
- 24 AND COLLEAGUES. WE ALL KNOW THAT THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
- 25 RECENTLY ANNOUNCED PLANS TO RETURN TO THIS VICINITY. AND



- 1 SOMEONE COULDN'T RESTRAIN THEMSELVES. GIVE THAT FELLOW OVER
- 2 THERE A BIG SHOUTOUT. HE'S ALL SUITED UP, READY TO GO. GIVE
- 3 HIM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. 91 IS IN THE HOUSE. [APPLAUSE.]
- 4 HAVE YOU COME UP AND BE AN APPROPRIATELY APPOINTED PROP. IT
- 5 WAS A CULMINATION OF A 20-YEAR ODYSSEY TO RETURN FOOTBALL THAT
- 6 BEGAN WHEN THE RAIDERS LEFT THE COLISEUM FOR WHAT THEY
- 7 BELIEVED WOULD BE GREENER PASTURES IN OAKLAND. BY ITS ACTION,
- 8 THE NFL ACKNOWLEDGED THAT IT NEEDED TO BE IN THIS REGION, THE
- 9 REGION OF LOS ANGELES, WITH IT IS ENORMOUS ECONOMIC FOOTPRINT.
- 10 AND MOST OF YOU ALREADY KNOW IF L.A. COUNTY WERE ITS OWN
- 11 COUNTRY, IT WOULD BE THE 21ST LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE WORLD
- 12 WITH A GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT OF MORE THAN \$634 BILLION. AND
- 13 SO THE EFFORT TO BRING N.F.L. FOOTBALL BACK BEGAN WITH
- 14 PROPOSALS TO REBUILD A NEW AND RENOVATED COLISEUM INTO A
- 15 STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY THAT MAINTAINED ITS HISTORIC
- 16 CHARACTER BECAUSE IT IS A NATIONALLY DESIGNATED VENUE. YOU
- 17 KNOW THAT IT WILL, FOR THE NEXT THREE SEASONS, PLAY IN THAT
- 18 VENERATED STADIUM. AND THERE ARE OTHER PROPOSALS. AND THEY ALL
- 19 DESERVE THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OVER THEIR 20-YEAR TREK. BUT WE NOW
- 20 UNDERSTAND ANEW WHY INGLEWOOD IS KNOWN AS THE CITY OF
- 21 CHAMPIONS, BECAUSE THEY GOT IT DONE. THEY DESERVE A BIG ROUND
- 22 OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] AND IT'S IN NO SMALL MEASURE
- 23 ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE LEADERSHIP OF ONE SAID JAMES T. BUTTS, IN
- 24 CONCERT WITH INGLEWOOD COUNCIL AND OTHER ELECTED AND CIVIC AS
- 25 WELL AS PRIVATE-SECTOR LEADERS. INGLEWOOD WON THE DAY. THEIR



- 1 HARD WORK GUIDED -- THEY DID. THEY WON THE DAY. THEY DESERVE
- 2 IT. THEIR HARD WORK GUIDED, TEMPERED AND AN EYE ON FISCAL
- 3 CONSTRAINT AND IT TAUGHT EVERYONE IN THE ENVIRONMENT AN
- 4 IMPORTANT LESSON. SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A \$1.8 BILLION STATE-
- 5 OF-THE-ART SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT STADIUM. AND IT WILL,
- 6 WITHOUT DISPUTE, HAVE A PROFOUND IMPACT ON THE ECONOMY OF
- 7 INGLEWOOD AND THE SURROUNDING REGIONAL COMMUNITIES. TAKE NOTE
- 8 OF THE STUDY THAT WAS DONE BY L.A.E.D.C. THAT STADIUM
- 9 CONSTRUCTION WOULD PRODUCE MORE THAN 16,000 CONSTRUCTION-
- 10 RELATED JOBS, INCREASE LOCAL PAYROLLS BY AS MUCH AS A BILLION
- 11 DOLLARS AND GENERATE MORE THAN 100 MILLION IN STATE AND LOCAL
- 12 TAXES, OF WHICH SOME 32 MILLION WOULD COME TO THE COUNTY OF
- 13 LOS ANGELES. AND YOU NEED TO KNOW BY THE SAME STUDY THAT WAS
- 14 DONE, ONE TEAM STADIUM WOULD GENERATE A SUBSTANTIAL ONGOING
- 15 ECONOMIC BENEFIT, 7,500 PERMANENT JOBS, AN INCREASE IN
- 16 PAYROLLS TO SOME \$340 MILLION, AN INCREASE TO GROSS DOMESTIC
- 17 PRODUCT BY \$300 MILLION. SO THIS IS REAL TALK, REAL MONEY, AND
- 18 IT WILL CHANGE THE OUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF
- 19 INGLEWOOD AND THE WHOLE REGION WILL BE BLESSED BECAUSE OF THIS
- 20 MAN'S EFFORTS AND THE EFFORTS OF THAT COMMUNITY THAT WE
- 21 CELEBRATE. WE ARE PROUD TO HAVE INGLEWOOD AS A PART OF THE
- 22 SECOND DISTRICT FAMILY, BUT WE ARE EVEN MORE PROUD TO SEE A
- 23 STANDUP MEMBER OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IT'S ONE OF 88
- 24 CITIES IN THE COUNTY, BUT IT STANDS OUT, BECAUSE IT'S THE ONLY
- 25 CITY THAT HAS AN N.F.L. FRANCHISE. AND THAT'S A BIG DEAL ALL

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- 1 DAY LONG. GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU?
- 2 [APPLAUSE.] WELL, MAYOR BUTTS, YOU'VE DONE US PROUD, AND WE
- 3 WOULDN'T LET THE DAY GO BY WITHOUT ACKNOWLEDGING SUCH. AND WE
- 4 JUST WANT TO SAY TO YOU THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF A GRATEFUL
- 5 COUNTY. SOME 10 MILLION RESIDENTS STRONG WILL CELEBRATE WITH
- 6 YOU THE FIRST DAY THAT THOSE RAMS SHOW UP, FIRST AT THE
- 7 COLISEUM IN THIS SEASON IN 2016. MANY OF YOU KNOW THE TICKETS
- 8 WENT ON SALE TODAY AND THEY TELL ME THAT THE SYSTEM IS
- 9 PRACTICALLY CRASHING, SO MANY PEOPLE WANT TO GET THOSE
- 10 TICKETS. AND SO, WE KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS. BUT IT'S ON BEHALF
- 11 OF THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT WE SUBMIT THIS TO YOU
- 12 IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR BEING SELECTED AS THE FUTURE HOME OF
- 13 THE LOS ANGELES RAMS WITH SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST
- 14 WISHES FROM ALL OF US. WE JOIN YOU RIGHT NOW IN YOUR
- 15 CELEBRATION OF YOUR SINGULAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS. JAMES T. BUTTS,
- 16 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. [APPLAUSE.]
- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND THE STADIUM IS BEING BUILT ON PRIVATE
- 19 MONEY, NOT GOVERNMENT MONEY. THAT'S ANOTHER CREDIT TO THE
- 20 MAYOR OF INGLEWOOD. [APPLAUSE.]
- 22 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MAYOR, THEN WE'LL
- 23 TAKE A GROUP PHOTOGRAPH.

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- 1 JAMES T. BUTTS: WE'RE PROUD IN INGLEWOOD TO BE THE VESSEL THAT
- 2 BRINGS SO MUCH WORK AND PROSPERITY BACK TO THE REGION. IN FACT
- 3 THE TOTALITY OF THAT DEVELOPMENT WILL BE JUST ON THE NORTH
- 4 SIDE OF \$4 BILLION WHEN YOU ADD THE MIXED USE. AND THAT'S
- 5 22,000 CONSTRUCTION JOBS, 12,000 FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME JOBS
- 6 WHEN IT'S DONE. AND WE DON'T HAVE THAT MANY PEOPLE IN
- 7 INGLEWOOD THAT NEED WORK, SO THAT'S GOING TO HELP THE COUNTY
- 8 AND THE CITIES AROUND US. I WOULD TELL YOU THAT I HAVE BEEN IN
- 9 PUBLIC SERVICE FOR 43 YEARS. I KNOW ALL OF YOU. SHEILA KUEHL,
- 10 ASSEMBLYWOMAN IN SANTA MONICA WHEN I WAS CHIEF THERE,
- 11 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WHEN I WAS IN SANTA MONICA. SUPERVISOR
- 12 DANA WHEN HE WAS THE CHIEF DEPUTY AND SUPERVISOR AND I JUST
- 13 HAD THE PLEASURE OF MEETING SUPERVISOR SOLIS ON THE METRO
- 14 BOARD. BUT I WOULD TELL YOU THIS: IN 43 YEARS, I'VE COME DOWN
- 15 TO THESE CHAMBERS TO SEE NUMEROUS PEOPLE HONORED. AND THE ONLY
- 16 TIME THAT YOU GUYS EVER SENT A RESOLUTION WAS WHEN I WAS
- 17 LEAVING SOME PLACE AND RETIRING. [LAUGHTER.] SO I THOUGHT I'M
- 18 GOING TO HAVE TO COME WORK FOR THE COUNTY IF I'M EVER GOING TO
- 19 BE ON THIS SIDE OF THE DIAS. SO NOW MY CAREER IS COMPLETE. I
- 20 THOROUGHLY THANK YOU FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THE HARD WORK OF THE
- 21 INGLEWOOD CITY COUNCIL AND THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF
- 22 INGLEWOOD, BECAUSE IT TOOK THE WHOLE COMMUNITY TO GET BEHIND
- 23 THIS TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M FOREVER
- 24 GRATEFUL TO YOU. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]



- 1 AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.: MEMBERS OF THE
- 2 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT, AND THE BOARD'S INTENT, TO ENCOURAGE
- 3 THE PUBLIC'S PARTICIPATION IN TODAY'S BOARD HEARING. THE RIGHT
- 4 OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE
- 5 NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE
- 6 ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC
- 7 OR THE ABILITY OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS
- 8 THE BOARD. THE FOLLOWING CODE OF CONDUCT IS OPERATIVE DURING
- 9 TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE
- 10 FOLLOWING RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN
- 11 THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST
- 12 RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC
- 13 COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE
- 14 BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN
- 15 A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN
- 16 RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING, OR
- 17 DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY,
- 18 DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY
- 19 MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF OR OTHER PERSONS. MEMBERS OF THE
- 20 AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY
- 21 SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER,
- 22 WHISTLE OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE
- 23 MEETING. A PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE
- 24 MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. IF
- 25 YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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- 1 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN
- 2 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER
- 3 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU.

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- 5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WITH THAT, MEMBERS, I'LL CALL UP
- 6 INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE HELD SEVERAL ITEMS. DR. GENEVIEVE
- 7 CLAVREUL, ITEMS 9, 15, 23, 30 AND 37. HERMAN HERMAN, 1-P, 13,
- 8 30, C.S.-1, C.S.-2. PRENTISS JENKINS, ITEM 3-P, 4-P, 5-P, 2,
- 9 30, 33 AND 1. ARNOLD SACHS, ITEM 1-P, 2-P, 3-P, 4-P, 5-P, 8,
- 10 13, 21 AND 33. ERIC PREVEN, ITEM 4-P, 3, 8, 9, 10, 18, 21 AND
- 11 33. WAYNE FROM ENCINO, 1-P, 2-P, 3-P, 4-P, 5-P, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,
- 12 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 30 AND 37.

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14 HERMAN HERMAN: WHICH ONE ARE WE ON?

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16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: HERMAN HERMAN?

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18 HERMAN HERMAN: YOU WANT HIM TO GO FIRST?

- 20 HERMAN HERMAN: GOOD AFTERNOON. I THOUGHT IT WAS INTERESTING
- 21 THAT INGLEWOOD WOULD RECOVER AND ACCEPT THE RAMS, WHICH IS IN
- 22 GOOD FAVOR OF MOST PEOPLE. BUT THE TOPIC OF OUR CONVERSATION
- 23 RIGHT NOW HAS TO DEAL WITH R-1, STATUS ON REPORTS BY THE
- 24 SHERIFF AND THE INSPECTOR GENERAL THAT ARE REQUESTED BY THE
- 25 BOARD RELATING TO VIOLENCE IN LOS ANGELES. AS YOU ALL HEARD,



- 1 VIOLENCE IN LOS ANGELES HAS ESCALATED. AND THE WAR ON
- 2 HOMELESSNESS IS ANOTHER ISSUE. THERE ARE NOT MANY ADVOCATES
- 3 WHO STAND UP ON BEHALF OF THOSE WHO BECOME VICTIM OF VIOLENCE
- 4 IN LOS ANGELES ANYMORE, BECAUSE PEOPLE LIKE MITCH ENGLANDER
- 5 AND OTHER OFFENSIVE ELECTED OFFICIALS FEEL THAT THOSE WHO ARE
- 6 OPPRESSED AND MINORITIES DON'T NEED TO BE HEARD. AND YOUR
- 7 FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS ARE NOT TO BE CONSIDERED. AS YOU MAY
- 8 KNOW, ONE OF THE SPEAKERS COMING UP SHORTLY HAS SPOKEN ABOUT
- 9 HIS 13 HOURS OF TERROR IN AN L.A.P.D. JAIL, NOT TO MENTION
- 10 OTHER PEOPLE WHO HAVE VOICED THEIR OPINIONS AND DECIDE TO
- 11 CRITICIZE THOSE WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO BE PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND
- 12 SHOW INTEREST IN OUR CONCERNS. SO, THE VIOLENCE IN THE JAILS
- 13 TODAY IS OBVIOUSLY OF GREAT CONCERN. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S
- 14 KAMALA HARRIS WHO HAS BEEN CALLED OUT TO REPRESENT THE PUBLIC
- 15 AND TO SERVE THE PUBLIC, PUBLIC INTEREST. THAT, OH, MR. RILEY,
- 16 YOU CAN STEP OUT, I'LL TALK TO YOU A LITTLE LATER. BUT THE
- 17 ISSUE HERE IS WHEN WE HAVE A QUORUM IS THAT WE WANT TO RELATE
- 18 TO THOSE WHO ARE FOUND GUILTY OF MANY CONCERNS, SUCH AS IN MR.
- 19 MARK RILEY'S AREA. BUT THAT'S ANOTHER -- THAT'S ANOTHER
- 20 SUBJECT OF THE MATTER. THE PRINCIPLE IDEA HERE IS THAT WE MUST
- 21 GAIN MS. HARRIS'S ACTION TO INVESTIGATE ALL CRIMES AGAINST
- 22 HUMAN BEINGS, SUCH AS THOSE WITHIN YOUR FAMILY, THOSE WHO LIVE
- 23 IN OUR STREETS. THE WAR ON HOMELESSNESS, MISS HARRIS, IS THAT
- 24 YOU'RE NOT DOING A GOOD JOB. YOUR OFFICE OF RUNNING FOR SENATE
- 25 SEEMS TO BE MORE IMPORTANT TO YOU. AND I'M CHALLENGING YOU TO

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- 1 COME IN AND INVESTIGATE THE ACTIONS TOWARDS HUMANITY, MEANING
- 2 THE WAR ON HOMELESSNESS, AS I ADDRESSED WITH THE L.A.P.D.
- 3 POLICE COMMISSION THIS MORNING, THAT IT NEEDS TO STOP. THERE
- 4 NEEDS TO BE MEANINGFUL ACTION WHEN IT COMES TO THE VIOLENCE IN
- 5 LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

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7 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ERIC PREVEN.

- 9 ERIC PREVEN: YES. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
- 10 DISTRICT 3, AND I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT R ITEMS WILL BE AFTER
- 11 THE PRESENTATION. GOOD, THANK YOU. SO, THAT IS LITIGATION
- 12 REPORT, WE'LL GET THERE. THE A.E.C.O.M. ITEM FOR ITEM NO. 21,
- 13 THEY ARE DOING AS-NEEDED ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING. COME ON.
- 14 THAT IS LUDICROUS, BECAUSE THIS IS A GROUP THAT ROLLS OUT ALL
- 15 SORTS OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR PROBLEMS. THAT IS WAY TOO
- 16 CLOSE. THAT IS THEIR PLAY, BY THE WAY, TO BE THE IN-HOUSE
- 17 DECIDERS. BUT WE HAVE OTHER PEOPLE WHO DO ENVIRONMENTAL
- 18 CONSULTING, LIKE MEYERS NAVE RIBACK AND WILSON, THAT THE
- 19 COUNTY COUNSEL HAS REFUSED TO DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT
- 20 WHAT THEY ARE DOING FOR THE COUNTY. SO, I WOULD SAY CHANGE
- 21 TACK ON THAT ONE. ITEM 18 IS A MARINA ITEM. THIS IS WHERE WE
- 22 ARE PUTTING TOGETHER \$400-GRAND TO EARMARK TO WORK ON OUR
- 23 TOXIC CHEMICALS COMING OFF THE BOTTOM OF THE BOATS PROGRAM.
- 24 IT'S THE M.D.L., THEY CALL IT, FOR COPPER. WE SHOULD SPEND
- 25 THAT MONEY ON GETTING BOATERS TO ADJUST THEMSELVES AND FIX IT,



- 1 NOT HAVING MEETINGS ABOUT TALKING ABOUT DOING SO, BECAUSE WE
- 2 WANT TO CLEAN THE WATER UP IN SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S, BECAUSE
- 3 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF, IN
- 4 GENERAL, THE P ITEMS. THERE'S FIVE OF THEM TODAY: 1-P, 2-P, 3-
- 5 P, 4-P, 5-P. I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR ALL OF THEM, BUT I WILL
- 6 ADDRESS 4-P, BECAUSE IT IS OPEN-SPACE MIKE ANTONOVICH, WHO WE
- 7 DO REVERE FOR SETTING ASIDE SO MUCH OPEN SPACE. THIS ONE, HE'S
- 8 SETTING ASIDE A MILLION DOLLARS TO AQUIRE SOME PROPERTY THAT
- 9 WILL BECOME OPEN SPACE. MY QUESTION IS: FROM WHO? WHERE ARE WE
- 10 ACQUIRING A MILLION BUCKS OF OPEN SPACE UP IN HIS DISTRICT
- 11 WHERE THERE IS LOTS OF OPEN SPACE? THAT WOULD BE GOOD TO HAVE
- 12 ON THE AGENDA, SO WE CAN BE CLEAR ABOUT THAT. ITEM 3 IS
- 13 SUPERVISOR KNABE IS MAKING A MOTION, BUT IT'S REALLY MARK
- 14 RIDLEY-THOMAS WHO HAS BEEN ROLLING UP BOTH SLEEVES TO FIGURE
- 15 OUT WAYS TO MAKE DIFFERENCE ON THINGS LIKE RECIDIVISM. SO IT'S
- 16 A PAPER SUCCESS IDEA. AND THIS IS INTERESTING. YOU BRING
- 17 SOMEBODY OVER. MAYBE THEY COULD DO A BETTER JOB THAN WE'RE
- 18 DOING, AND WE'LL LET THEM MAKE A LITTLE MONEY. THE PROBLEM IS,
- 19 GOLDMAN SACHS TRIED IT IN UTAH FOR A PROGRAM FOR SPECIAL-ED
- 20 KIDS. THEY SAW A POT OF MONEY. SO, THEY COME OVER. THEY'RE
- 21 VERY HELPFUL AT GOLDMAN SACHS. THEY SAY, OH, THAT'S A POT OF
- 22 MONEY. MAYBE LET US GET INVOLVED. THEY HIRE SOME PEOPLE TO
- 23 HELP. AND THEN, THEY KEEP THE CHANGE. THE PROBLEM IS THAT THE
- 24 REPORTING OF WHO IS NEEDED OF THE CARE ON BOTH SIDES WAS
- 25 TOTALLY DEFECTIVE. SO, WE'LL HAVE TO TRY AGAIN. I SUPPORT THE

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- 1 IDEA, BECAUSE IT IS A GOOD AREA. BUT IT IS DODGY AT BEST,
- 2 BECAUSE IF THEY'RE SO HELPFUL AND RICH, WHY DON'T THEY DONATE
- 3 TO PEOPLE WHO THEY THINK CAN DO THE JOB AND NOT WORRY SO MUCH
- 4 ABOUT THE PROFIT? ITEM NUMBER 6 IS PORTER RANCH, WHERE THE
- 5 MAYOR AND I ARE COMPLETELY ALIGNED ON BEING DISGUSTED BY THE
- 6 NUMBER OF LAWSUITS. I MEAN, LET'S GET CONTROL OF THIS
- 7 SITUATION. LET'S PROTECT THE RESIDENTS. BUT I HAVE HEARD SO
- 8 MANY LAWSUITS BEING FIRED UP THAT THESE LAWYERS NEED TO BE
- 9 TRACKED. MR. ESTABROOK, WE'LL GET TO YOU LATER, SIR. ITEM NO.
- 10 8 IS THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE, WHICH I THINK IS BEING
- 11 ADJUSTED FOR SOME OF THE GROUPS. AND I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE
- 12 THE BOARD PUTTING IT ON THE AGENDA. THE CITY ETHICS COMMISSION
- 13 IS ADJUSTING THEIR OWN, PEEKING AT THEIR OWN NAVEL, ETHICS
- 14 CODE. THEY DON'T EVEN PUBLICIZE IT, WHICH IS EMBARRASSING. AND
- 15 ITEM NO. 9 IS THE BUCK CONSULTING GROUP AND NINE OTHER GROUPS
- 16 WILL BE HELPING. LET'S FIND HOW MUCH THEY EACH HELPED LAST
- 17 YEAR BEFORE WE AGREE TO SUCH A PROPOSAL. THANK YOU.

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19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. PRENTISS JENKINS.

- 21 PRENTISS JENKINS: PRENTISS JENKINS, ACTIVIST SINCE 1991,
- 22 PUBLISHER OF CITI LYFE NEWSLETTER. 1-P SAYS YOU'RE AUTHORIZING
- 23 ACTING DIRECTOR PARKS AND RECREATION IN HIS CAPACITY, ACTING
- 24 DIRECTOR OF OPEN SPACE TO AWARD A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO
- 25 EXCEED \$140,000 TO THE MOUNTAIN RESTORATION TRUST. BUT, FOLKS,



- 1 YOU HAVE A STATUE. YOU'RE REWARDING GRANTS FOR THIS, BUT YOU
- 2 HAVE A STATUE OVER IN GRAND PARK OF GEORGE WASHINGTON. GEORGE
- 3 WASHINGTON WAS A SLAVE OWNER. YOU HAVE A STATUE OF A SLAVE
- 4 OWNER IN YOUR PARK. LOOKING OVER THE PARK. AND YOU SAY THIS
- 5 PARK IS FOR EVERYONE. BUT THERE'S A STATUE OF A SLAVE OWNER,
- 6 WHO OWNED BLACK PEOPLE, OWNED MY PEOPLE, DID NOT LET THEM GO,
- 7 AND YOU PUT A STATUE OVER THERE AND YOU'RE SAYING THAT IN
- 8 GRAND PARK AND YOU SAY THAT STATUE'S FOR EVERYONE. WHAT DOES
- 9 THAT SAY ABOUT THE COUNTY, WHEN YOU PUT A STATUE OF A SLAVE
- 10 OWNER UP AT YOUR PARK? YOU DON'T HAVE STATUES OF HITLER DOING
- 11 A SIEG HEIL, SO WHY WOULD YOU HAVE A STATUE OF A SLAVE OWNER?
- 12 I WANT THAT STATUE REMOVED, BECAUSE I USE THAT PARK ALL THE
- 13 TIME. AND I WANT TO KNOW HOW I GET THAT STATUE REMOVED. WHO DO
- 14 I SPEAK TO TO GET THAT STATUE REMOVED? DOES ANYONE KNOW? MR.
- 15 DON KNABE, DO YOU KNOW? MR. ANTONOVICH, DO YOU KNOW WHO I
- 16 SPEAK TO TO GET THAT STATUE REMOVED? DOES ANYONE KNOW? MISS
- 17 KUEHL, DO YOU KNOW? RIDLEY-THOMAS, I DON'T KNOW WHERE HE IS.
- 18 DOES ANYBODY KNOW WHAT I'M SUPPOSED TO DO TO GET THAT STATUE
- 19 REMOVED? OR ARE YOU OKAY WITH A SLAVE-OWNING STATUE UP IN YOUR
- 20 PARK? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING? WHO DO I SPEAK TO ON THAT?
- 21 OR CAN YOU GET SOMEONE TO SPEAK TO ME ON THAT? YES OR NO? IS
- 22 THERE ANYONE THAT CAN GET -- SEE? I'M TALKING ABOUT SLAVERY,
- 23 PEOPLE. AND THE IMAGE OF SLAVERY THAT STILL LIVES, IT LIVES ON
- 24 IN YOUR PARK. UNDER GEORGE WASHINGTON, SLAVERY LIVES ON IN
- 25 YOUR PARK. EVERY BLACK PERSON IN HERE SHOULD BE UPSET. AND

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- 1 WHITE PEOPLE, TOO. EVERYBODY SHOULD BE UPSET, THAT GEORGE
- 2 WASHINGTON IS SITTING OVER THERE AT THAT PARK. AND YOU'RE
- 3 PRETENDING YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. SOMEONE, I
- 4 DON'T CARE IF YOU GOT AN AIDE, WHEN I'M FINISHED WITH THIS,
- 5 HAVE YOUR AIDE COME TO ME AND TELL ME WHAT DOCUMENTS I'M
- 6 SUPPOSED TO FILL OUT TO GET THAT FREAKING STATUE OUT OF THE
- 7 PARK. MR. ANTONOVICH AND MR. KNABE, MRS. KUEHL, MRS. SOLIS,
- 8 SOMEONE SEND ME AN AIDE TO HELP ME GET THAT STATUE OUT OF
- 9 THERE, BECAUSE IF YOU DON'T SEND ME AN AIDD, WHAT YOU'RE
- 10 SAYING IS YOU'RE ALL RIGHT WITH SLAVERY. YOU'RE OKAY WITH THE
- 11 IMAGE OF SLAVERY CONTINUING IN THE UNITED STATES. EVERYBODY
- 12 WALKS PAST THAT STATUE LIKE THEY DON'T SEE IT. I SAW IT.
- 13 ACTUALLY I DIDN'T SEE IT FOR THE FIRST, MUST HAVE BEEN FIRST
- 14 FEW MONTHS, BECAUSE I DIDN'T WALK OVER THAT WAY. THEN I SAW
- 15 IT. AND THERE IT IS.

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- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE ARNOLD SACHS. WE ALSO HAVE RUTH
- 18 SARNOFF, 2-P AND 4-P. GO AHEAD.

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- 20 WAYNE SPINDLER: OKAY. WELL, NOW WE'VE TURNED THIS INTO A
- 21 PUPPET SHOW MEETING COMBINING 15 ITEMS IN 3 MINUTES, HA-HA,
- 22 HA-HA. YEAH, SHEILA KUEHL AND HILDA SOLIS NOW ARE ENGAGED IN
- 23 PUPPET POLITIC MEETINGS, BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T HANDLE IT.

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- 1 MARY WCKHAM, COUNSEL: PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC. YOU'RE NOT ON
- 2 TOPIC RIGHT NOW, SIR.

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- 4 WAYNE SPINDLER: NOW I'M GOING TO BE THREATENED BY A LAWYER
- 5 THAT NEVER GRADUATED OUT OF A CRACKER JACK BOX. SO WE HAVE TO
- 6 --

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8 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR.

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10 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR. HE IS NOT ON TOPIC.

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- 12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SIR, PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC, OR WE WILL HAVE
- 13 YOU --

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- 15 WAYNE SPINDLER: I KNOW, YOU'LL HAVE ME LYNCHED, OKAY. SO WE'RE
- 16 GOING TO TALK ABOUT ITEM 9, ITEM 10, ITEM 11, ITEM 12, 13, 14,
- 17 15,.

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- 19 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR, YOU'RE NOT ON TOPIC. YOUR CONDUCT
- 20 IS DISRUPTIVE.

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22 WAYNE SPINDLER: I'M TALKING ABOUT THE ITEMS.

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24 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: NO, YOU'RE NOT, SIR.

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1 WAYNE SPINDLER: THEY'RE ITEM NUMBERS.

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3 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR, YOU'RE NOT. PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC.

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- 5 WAYNE SPINDLER: ITEM NO. 1, SPECIAL DISTRICTS. SO, WE'RE ALL
- 6 LIVING IN SPECIAL DISTRICTS, SPECIAL DISTRICTS WHERE PEOPLE
- 7 GET ARRESTED ILLEGALLY BY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL. THEN
- 8 NUMBER 6, PORTER RANCH. YES, THEY'RE BEING GASSED IN PORTER
- 9 RANCH. AND THAT'S WHY LAWYERS ARE SUING THE LIVING GOD OUT OF
- 10 THE REST OF YOU, BECAUSE THAT LAWYER OVER THERE FOR THE
- 11 COUNTY, THAT WOMAN, IS JUST WAITING TO HAVE ME LYNCHED,
- 12 BECAUSE PORTER RANCH KEEPS COMING UP. PORTER RANCH, BECAUSE
- 13 DON KNABE KNOWS PORTER RANCH IS A GAS LEAK. AND MIKE
- 14 ANTONOVICH KNOWS THE TRUTH. BUT MIKE ANTONOVICH TRIED AS HARD
- 15 AS HE COULD, BUT PORTER RANCH IS CONTINUING TO BE GASSED JUST
- 16 LIKE THE JEWS GASSED BY THE NAZIS.

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- 18 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR, YOU'RE NOT ON TOPIC AT THIS POINT.
- 19 PLEASE, YOU'RE NOT ON TOPIC, SIR.

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- 21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOU'RE OUT OF ORDER, SIR. [OFF-MIC
- 22 COMMENTS.]

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24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: COUNTY COUNSEL?

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- 1 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: YOUR CONDUCT IS DISRUPTIVE. YOU HAVE
- 2 STOPPED. YOU HAVE NOT REMAINED ON TOPIC. AND AT THIS POINT,
- 3 WE'RE GOING TO END YOUR TIME AND HAVE THE SERGEANT AT ARMS
- 4 PLEASE BRING YOU BACK TO THE AUDIENCE, THANK YOU.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ARNOLD SACHS? DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL? GO
- 7 AHEAD.

- 9 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
- 10 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ANYWAY, ON ITEM 9, IT'S VERY
- 11 CONCERNING TO SEE SO MANY CONSULTANTS TO HAVE THEIR CONTRACT
- 12 EXTENDED WITH NOT GOING FOR A NEW R.F.P. THOSE ARE NINE
- 13 CONSULTANTS DEALING WITH AND ISSUE HAVING TO DO WITH THE
- 14 BENEFIT AND SALARY AND SO ON. AND THAT ACTUALLY IS AT THE
- 15 COMMAND AND JURISDICTION OF THE C.E.O. AND I DON'T THINK WE
- 16 SHOULD HAVE NINE OTHER CONSULTANTS TO DO THAT JOB AND
- 17 ESPECIALLY A STANDARD. THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT WAS 2011. SO,
- 18 JUST OF CONCERN. AND THEN ON ITEM 23, THAT'S EVEN MORE
- 19 CONCERNING. ON THAT ITEM, THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT IT WAS
- 20 AN R.F.P. OR THAT IT IS A SOLE-VENDOR CONTRACT. JUST OUT OF
- 21 THE BLUE, THERE IS THAT CONTRACT COMING OUT FOR AN ALMOST \$2
- 22 MILLION. NO PROPOSAL, NO NOTHING. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW
- 23 THAT VENDOR WAS FOUND AND HIRED. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$2
- 24 MILLION. THAT SHOULD NOT HAPPEN, YOU KNOW. AND I WAS HOPING
- 25 THAT WE WOULD STOP HAVING THOSE SOLE VENDOR CONTRACTS AND SO

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- 1 ON. THAT NEEDS TO BE STOPPED. ON ITEM 15, HAVING TO DO WITH
- 2 THE ORDINANCE BY THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION,
- 3 AGAIN, I EXPRESSED MY CONCERNS THE OTHER DAY THAT COMMISSION
- 4 ON HOSPITALS, THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION, THE PUBLIC HEALTH
- 5 COMMISSION, ALL COME UNDER D.H.S. AND THAT'S A CONFLICT OF
- 6 INTEREST, BECAUSE THOSE COMMISSIONS ARE SUPPOSED TO ADVISE AND
- 7 LOOK AT WHAT D.H.S. IS DOING. D.P.S. AND SO ON. SO, I THINK
- 8 THAT FIRST I WANT TO FIND OUT WHY THOSE COMMISSIONS DO NOT
- 9 COME UNDER THE REGULAR COMMISSIONS AND WHY, AGAIN, DR. KATZ IS
- 10 IN CHARGE OVER THOSE THREE COMMISSIONS. AND I HAVE ONE MORE
- 11 THING. I THINK THAT WILL BE ALL TODAY. I AM REALLY CONCERNED
- 12 TO SEE SOME OF THE PUBLIC BEHAVIOR. I THINK IT IS
- 13 INAPPROPRIATE. AND I JUST HOPE THAT IN THE FUTURE, WE TURN THE
- 14 MICROPHONE WHEN THEY MISBEHAVE. VERY DISGRACE. THANK YOU.

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16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS?

- 18 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. AND
- 19 I DID HOLD SEVERAL ITEMS. I HELD THE P ITEMS, 1-P, 2-P, 3-P,
- 20 4-P, BECAUSE THOSE PROJECTS ARE ALL EXEMPT FROM C.E.Q.A.
- 21 REQUIREMENTS. AND 5-P IS CIVIC CENTER IMPROVEMENTS FOR SIERRA
- 22 MADRE, CIVIC CENTER IMPROVEMENTS, BUT YOU'RE USING SAFE
- 23 NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION. SO I WAS JUST WONDERING IF THE
- 24 OTHER 87 COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY WOULD BE ABLE TO GET SAFE
- 25 NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION FUNDING TO USE FOR CIVIC CENTER



- 1 IMPROVEMENTS ALSO. WHY LEAVE THE OTHER 87 OUT WHEN YOU'RE
- 2 DOING IT FOR SIERRA MADRE? I HELD ITEMS -- I HELD ITEM 13.
- 3 IT'S AN OUTSOURCING FOR AS-NEEDED SERVICES. AND SO, I WAS
- 4 WONDERING: IS THIS OUTSOURCING GOING TO HAVE TO MEET THE WAGE
- 5 STANDARDS, THE NEW WAGE STANDARDS THAT YOU SET, MINIMUM WAGE?
- 6 WOULD THAT BE BEFORE OR AFTER THE FEES ARE PAID TO THE
- 7 SERVICES? I MEAN, THEY'LL COLLECT A FEE FOR EACH EMPLOYEE THAT
- 8 THEY GET FOR THE COUNTY. WOULD THAT BE BASED ON \$15? WOULD THE
- 9 EMPLOYEE STILL BE GETTING THEIR \$15 AN HOUR OR WHATEVER THE
- 10 MINIMUM WAGE IS? OR WOULD THEY HAVE TO GET THE NEW WAGE? OR
- 11 WOULD THEIR WAGE BE LESS THE FEE THAT THEY HAVE TO PAY TO THE
- 12 OUTSOURCING SERVICE? THEN I HELD ITEMS 27, A COUPLE OTHER
- 13 ITEMS, THE DISCLOSURE CODES. IT MENTIONS THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 14 REGIONAL PLANNING. AND I WAS REALLY CONCERNED, ESPECIALLY
- 15 AFTER SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH READ HIS MOTION LAST WEEK ABOUT
- 16 THE HIDDEN CREEKS PROJECT. AND I'M GOING TO READ FROM THAT.
- 17 "THE AREA IN THE COUNTY IS COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AND WITHIN
- 18 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES'S SPHERE OF INFLUENCE." SO I TRIED TO
- 19 FIGURE OUT THE SPHERE OF INFLUENCE AND WHAT THAT WOULD HAVE TO
- 20 DO WITH REGIONAL PLANNING. I MEAN, IS THAT LIKE THE REGIONAL
- 21 DARK STAR? IS THAT LIKE STAR TREK OR STAR WARS? OR DO YOU
- 22 NEED, LIKE, PHASERS OR DEFLECTOR SHIELDS FOR THE LOS ANGELES
- 23 SPHERE OF INFLUENCE? I'M MORE CONCERNED ABOUT ACTUALLY
- 24 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS AND THEIR SPHERE OF INFLUENCE ON THIS
- 25 PLANNING. THIS IS A 188-HOME PROJECTS, BUT YOU DON'T HEAR

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- 1 ANYTHING ABOUT THE 4,000 OR 5,000 PEOPLE THAT HAVE ASKED TO BE
- 2 RELOCATED. YOU WANT TO BUY THIS PROPERTY WITH REGIONAL PARKS
- 3 FUNDING, BUT THE 5,000 PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING TO BE PAYING AND
- 4 PAYING AND PAYING THAT MORTGAGE PAYMENT FOR THE NEXT HOWEVER
- 5 MANY, 30 YEARS, YOU'RE NOT GIVING THEM ANY RELIEF. YOU'RE
- 6 GOING TO SUE. BUT IT WAS YOU GUYS. IT WAS THIS BOARD AND THE
- 7 OLD BOARD MEMBERS 20 YEARS AGO WHO KNEW ABOUT THIS GAS LEAK
- 8 AND THIS GAS FARM AND THIS GAS BAG AND DIDN'T DO ANYTHING
- 9 EXCEPT TO LET THE DEVELOPERS PLAN THESE PLAN DEVELOPMENTS.

11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME'S EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. RUTH

12 SARNOFF.

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14 ARNOLD SACHS: CITY OF LOS ANGELES DOESN'T HAVE ANY EFFECT ON

15 THE COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED AREA, SIR.

17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MISS SARNOFF?

19 RUTH SARNOFF: I THINK I'M HERE ON P-2 AND P-4 AND 6. AND I

- 20 DIDN'T CATCH WHAT ELSE, BECAUSE IT ALL -- IS IT EVERYTHING
- 21 THAT'S ON THE AGENDA THAT I AM TO SPEAK ON AT THE SAME TIME?
- 23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES, YES, MA'AM.

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- 1 RUTH SARNOFF: THANK YOU. I WAS LOOKING AT 2 AND 4 AS BEING,
- 2 YOU KNOW, JUST PART OF THE PUZZLE HERE. I DIDN'T KNOW WHERE TO
- 3 START ON IT. BUT I DO WANT TO WEIGH IN ON THE IMPORTANCE OF
- 4 LEARNING WHERE THESE SPECIFIED EXCESS FUNDS COME FROM AND WHEN
- 5 IT MOVES BETWEEN, I DON'T KNOW, SIX OR SEVEN ENTITIES BACK AND
- 6 FORTH, I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHERE THE NARRATIVE IS ABOUT
- 7 WHAT IT'S DOING AND WHAT IT'S TO ACCOMPLISH. SO I'M JUST GOING
- 8 TO SPEAK ON MY FEELING ABOUT PARKS FOR A MINUTE. I THINK THAT
- 9 WE NEED TO SEE SOME FAIRNESS AND EQUITY IN THE WAY PARKLAND IS
- 10 ASSIGNED OR CHOSEN. AND THERE ARE SOME VERY PARK-POOR PARTS OF
- 11 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I ALSO FEEL THAT WE SHOULD BE
- 12 PROTECTING THE MORE PRISTINE AREAS. AND I THINK ONE OF THE
- 13 WAYS TO DO THAT IS TO HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING THAT IT'S NOT FOR
- 14 CONCESSIONS OR HOUSING OR DISNEYLAND. IT'S FOR REAL, OPEN
- 15 SPACE. THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION PROPERTY OUT THERE THAT
- 16 WAS LEFT IN PERPETUITY FOR VETERANS HOUSING GOT EATEN ALIVE BY
- 17 DEVELOPERS AND PEOPLE THAT WANTED A PIECE OF THE PIE, AND THAT
- 18 DIDN'T GO WELL. AND I JUST THINK THAT FAIRNESS AND EQUITY, AND
- 19 I THINK WE SHOULD STOP PRIVATE CONTRACTING EVERYTHING AND
- 20 START DEVELOPING A SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE A CLOSER TIE
- 21 BETWEEN, YOU KNOW, PRIVATE CONCERNS WHO ARE THERE REAPING THE
- 22 PROFITS BUT WE DON'T SEE IT AS MUCH. AND I THINK IT SHOULD BE
- 23 FAMILY-ORIENTED AND A PLACE FOR FAMILY GATHERINGS WITH
- 24 BARBECUES AND SOME OPPORTUNITY, AT THE MOST, TO HAVE TENTING

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- 1 AND NOT BIG ENCLAVES. I DON'T THINK IT SHOULD BE YOSEMITE. NOW
- 2 GOING TO --

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME'S EXPIRED.

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- 6 RUTH SARNOFF: IT EXPIRED FOR SPEAKING ABOUT PORTER RANCH, TOO?
- 7 I THOUGHT I HAD THREE.

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9 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IT'S COMING BACK.

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11 **RUTH SARNOFF: HUH?**

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13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IT'S COMING BACK UP.

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15 RUTH SARNOFF: IT'S COMING BACK ON 6? OKAY. SORRY.

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- 17 AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.: ITEMS 1-P, 2-P, 3-P,
- 18 4-P, 5-P, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17,
- 19 18, 19, 21, 23, 33 AND 37 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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21 SUP. KNABE: MOVE IT.

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- 23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, WITHOUT
- 24 OBJECTION. SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR, COULD I ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION OF
- 2 ITEM 25? I'D LIKE TO CONTINUE THAT A WEEK.

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ITEM 25?

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6 SUP. KNABE: I MOVE RECONSIDERATION.

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8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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10 SUP. KNABE: I'D LIKE TO CONTINUE THAT ITEM A WEEK. THANK YOU.

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- 12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. MEMBERS, NOW
- 13 WE ARE GOIGN TO TAKE UP ITEMS R-2, R-3, AND R-4. THOSE WHO
- 14 WISH TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM WILL BE GIVEN A SET TIME TO ADDRESS
- 15 THESE ITEMS TOGETHER. I'D ALSO LIKE TO CALL UP OUR C.E.O. RISK
- 16 MANAGER, STEVE ROBLES, AND OUR COUNTY COUNSEL LITIGATION COST
- 17 MANAGER, STEVE ESTABROOK. THANK YOU. AND, WELCOME.

- 19 STEVE ESTABROOK: MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, GOOD
- 20 AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVE ESTABROOK, LITIGATION COST
- 21 MANAGER, AND I'LL BE PRESENTING THE ANNUAL LITIGATION REPORT
- 22 THIS AFTERNOON. THE COUNTY'S LITIGATION EXPENSES ROSE TO
- 23 \$118.9 MILLION THIS YEAR. THAT WAS A 24 PERCENT INCREASE. AND
- 24 IT WENT UP, AS YOU CAN TELL, \$23.3 MILLION. THERE ARE TWO
- 25 COMPONENTS TO THE LITIGATION, TOTAL LITIGATION EXPENSES. ONE



- 1 IS JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS, AND THE SECOND IS ATTORNEYS'
- 2 FEES AND COSTS. THE JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS WENT UP BY 50
- 3 PERCENT THIS YEAR, OR \$19.6 MILLION. ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS
- 4 ROSE \$3.7 MILLION, OR 7 PERCENT THIS YEAR. LET'S TAKE A CLOSER
- 5 LOOK AT THE JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS. THE LARGEST INCREASE
- 6 WAS FOUND IN THE SETTLEMENTS. IT WENT UP TO 44.2 MILLION THIS
- 7 YEAR. BOTH THE JUDGMENTS AND THE SETTLEMENTS WENT UP
- 8 APPROXIMATELY \$10 MILLION. THERE WERE 233 SETTLEMENTS, AND
- 9 THERE WERE 12 JUDGMENTS. 7 SETTLEMENTS MADE UP 45 PERCENT OF
- 10 THE PAYOUTS IN THE 44.2 SETTLEMENTS THIS YEAR. 3 OF THOSE
- 11 SETTLEMENTS WERE MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASES AT L.A.C. + U.S.C.
- 12 MEDICAL CENTER. THERE WAS A FAILURE TO DIAGNOSE, DELAYED
- 13 TREATMENT, AND NEGLIGENT SURGERY. THE OTHER FOUR CASES WERE
- 14 LAW ENFORCEMENT CASES. TWO WERE EXCESSIVE FORCE. TWO WERE
- 15 FAILURE TO PROTECT. EXCESSIVE FORCE BOTH RESULTED IN THE
- 16 DEATHS OF THE RELATIVES OF THE PLAINTIFFS. THE FAILURE TO
- 17 PROTECT WAS, BOTH OF THOSE WERE -- INVOLVED INMATES. THE FIRST
- 18 WAS AN INMATE AT TWIN TOWERS AND A SUICIDE ATTEMPT. THAT WAS
- 19 THE JOHNSON CASE. THE MARSHALL CASE WAS A PROBATION CASE. AND
- 20 A 16-YEAR-OLD WARD CLAIMED THAT HE WAS BEATEN BY FELLOW
- 21 INMATES AT CAMP MILLER. THE JUDGMENTS, THERE WERE FIVE
- 22 JUDGMENTS OF THE TOTAL 12, MADE UP 90 PERCENT OF ALL THE
- 23 JUDGMENTS PAID THIS YEAR, WHICH WAS A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT. 3 OF
- 24 THESE CASES, 3 OF THE 5, WERE LAW ENFORCEMENT CASES. 2 WERE
- 25 EXCESSIVE FORCE CASES -- I'M SORRY, 3 WERE EXCESSIVE FORCE



- 1 CASES. ONE WAS A SHOOTING, AND THE TWO OTHERS, ONE WAS A CASE
- 2 OF VEHICULAR STOP AND THE OTHER WAS A LANDLORD/TENANT DISPUTE.
- 3 THE TWO OTHER CASES WERE EMPLOYMENT CASES. ONE WAS A WRONGFUL
- 4 TERMINATION CASE AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE OTHER WAS
- 5 ALSO A WRONGFUL TERMINATION CASE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
- 6 AND FAMILY SERVICES. NOW, THE SECOND LARGEST COMPONENT OF THE
- 7 TOTAL EXPENDITURES WAS ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS. AND THIS
- 8 YEAR, THE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS WERE \$59 MILLION. THE
- 9 TOTAL FEES AND COSTS WERE UP \$3.7 MILLION. AND THEY WERE
- 10 BROKEN DOWN INTO CONTRACT COUNSEL OR OUTSIDE COUNSEL AND
- 11 COUNTY COUNSEL. OUTSIDE COUNSEL FEES WERE UP JUST UNDER \$4
- 12 MILLION. AND COUNTY COUNSEL FEES WERE DOWN BY \$200,000. SO,
- 13 THE NET WAS \$3.7 MILLION THIS YEAR. NOW, LET'S TAKE A CLOSE
- 14 LOOK AT THE SIX DEPARTMENTS THAT WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR OVER 100
- 15 MILLION IN LITIGATION EXPENSES THIS YEAR, WHICH CONSTITUTED 85
- 16 PERCENT OF ALL THE MONIES SPENT IN LITIGATION. THIS IS A LIST
- 17 OF THOSE DEPARTMENTS. AND YOU CAN SEE ON THE RIGHT THE CHANGE
- 18 FOR THEIR COST INCREASE THIS YEAR. TWO WENT DOWN. LET'S TAKE A
- 19 LOOK AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THIS YEAR THE SHERIFF'S
- 20 DEPARTMENT SPENT \$61 MILLION IN LITIGATION. AND YOU CAN SEE
- 21 HOW IT COMPARED TO THE PRECEDING THREE YEARS. AND THIS YEAR,
- 22 THE COSTS OF \$61 MILLION WAS UP BY \$20 MILLION AS COMPARED TO
- 23 LAST YEAR. THE \$61 MILLION WAS -- COMPRISED THE BIGGEST
- 24 COMPONENT OF THE \$61 MILLION WAS LAW ENFORCEMENT AT \$47.3
- 25 MILLION. THAT CONSTITUTED NEARLY 80 PERCENT OF ALL THE MONEY



- 1 SPENT BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ON LITIGATION THIS YEAR. AS
- 2 YOU CAN SEE, THE \$47.3 [MILLION] SPENT ON LAW ENFORCEMENT HAS
- 3 BEEN CONTINUALLY INCREASING OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS. AND IT
- 4 ROSE \$14.6 MILLION OVER LAST YEAR. AND OF THAT \$14.6 MILLION,
- 5 NEARLY \$14.5 MILLION WAS FOUND IN JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS.
- 6 ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS WENT UP A MERE \$100,000 THIS YEAR.
- 7 NOW, OF THE \$47.3 MILLION SPENT BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ON
- 8 LAW ENFORCEMENT CASES THIS YEAR, \$33.5 MILLION WAS SPENT ON
- 9 EXCESSIVE FORCE CASES. WHILE THE COSTS ROSE IN THE AREAS OF
- 10 FAILURE TO PROTECT, FALSE ARREST, SEXUAL ASSAULT BY DEPUTY,
- 11 NONE ROSE AS MUCH AS IN THE EXCESSIVE FORCE AREA, WHICH, AS
- 12 YOU CAN SEE, THIS YEAR WAS \$33.5 MILLION, AS I SAID, AND IT
- 13 HAS INCREASED STEADILY OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS. AND IT'S UP
- 14 \$9.3 MILLION OVER LAST YEAR AND AS A TOTAL OF \$20.5 MILLION
- 15 INCREASE SINCE 2011/12. EXCESSIVE FORCE CASES, THE \$33.5
- 16 [MILLION] CAN BE DIVIDED INTO PATROL CASES AND CUSTODY CASES.
- 17 AS YOU CAN SEE, THE PATROL CASES OR ENFORCEMENT ON THE STREET
- 18 IS \$29.8 MILLION, VERSUS IN THE JAILS, IT'S \$3.7 MILLION.
- 19 SHOOTINGS THIS YEAR CONSTITUTE TWO-THIRDS OF ALL THE PATROL
- 20 EXCESSIVE FORCE EXPENSES. AND THESE EXPENSES INCLUDE
- 21 ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS, JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS. NOW, THE
- 22 COSTS THAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT TODAY FOR EXCESSIVE FORCE,
- 23 AND THIS IS A CHART INVOLVING EXCESSIVE FORCE, WE'RE TALKING
- 24 ABOUT EXPENSES INVOLVING INCIDENTS THAT OCCURRED 3-1/2,
- 25 ROUGHLY 3-1/2 YEARS AGO. SO, WHEN WE PAY THESE JUDGMENTS AND



- 1 SETTLEMENTS, AND THE INCREASE IS PRIMARILY THERE, THE INCREASE
- 2 OR THE INCIDENT THAT CAUSED THAT PAYMENT HAPPENED 3-1/2 YEARS
- 3 AGO. SO THAT IS NOT THE CURRENT STATE OF THE INCIDENTS THAT
- 4 ARE HAPPENING. WE ARE PAYING -- FOR INSTANCE, IT OCCURRED, AS
- 5 I SAID 3-1/2 YEARS AGO. NOW, IN THOSE ENSUING THREE YEARS,
- 6 WHAT'S HAPPENED TO EXCESSIVE FORCE CASES? THEY HAVE DECLINED
- 7 BY 20 PERCENT OVER THOSE THREE YEARS THAT THE EXPENSES HAVE
- 8 BEEN CLIMBING. SO, THE NUMBER OF ACTUAL INCIDENTS OF EXCESSIVE
- 9 FORCE ARE DECLINING, AS WELL AS SHERIFF'S CASES AS A WHOLE
- 10 HAVE GONE DOWN OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS AND ALSO LAW
- 11 ENFORCEMENT CASES HAVE DECLINED. LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT HEALTH
- 12 SERVICES, THE SECOND LARGEST DEPARTMENT. AND AT \$18.9 MILLION,
- 13 THEY SPENT, AS I SAID, THE SECOND GREATEST AMOUNT OF
- 14 LITIGATION EXPENSES. BUT THEY ARE DOWN ALMOST \$2 MILLION AS
- 15 COMPARED TO LAST YEAR. OF THE \$18.9 MILLION, THE FACILITY THAT
- 16 SPENT THE MOST ON LITIGATION LAST YEAR WAS L.A.C.+U.S.C.
- 17 MEDICAL CENTER. AS YOU CAN SEE, THE OTHER FACILITIES ARE TO
- 18 THE RIGHT. THE MOST EXPENSIVE CASE TYPE LAST YEAR FOR HEALTH
- 19 SERVICES WAS \$12.8 MILLION SPENT ON MEDICAL MALPRACTICE.
- 20 HOWEVER, DURING THE LAST FOUR YEARS, YOU CAN SEE THAT THE
- 21 \$12.8 MILLION IS LESS THAN ALL BUT ONE OF THE PRECEDING THREE
- 22 YEARS. AND AT \$12.8 MILLION, IT IS LESS THAN THE AVERAGE
- 23 MEDICAL MALPRACTICE EXPENSES OF \$13.4 MILLION. THIS CHART
- 24 SHOWS THE TYPE OF CASE THAT THE HEALTH SERVICES SPENT ON
- 25 LITIGATION THIS YEAR, WHICH IS THE L.A.C.+U.S.C. SPENT \$10.6



- I MILLION OF THE \$12.8 MILLION SPENT ON MEDICAL MALPRACTICE THIS
- 2 YEAR. AND L.A.C.+U.S.C. SPENT \$6.4 MILLION ON FAILURE-TO-TREAT
- 3 CASES. THIS IS THE MALONE CASE. WE SETTLED THAT CASE FOR \$4.5
- 4 MILLION. THAT WAS A YOUNG MAN WHO HAD A MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT
- 5 AND HAD A STENT PUT IN, AN AORTA STENT. AND THERE WAS ISSUES
- 6 IN TREATING AND DIAGNOSING THAT STENT. NOW, THE OTHER AREA IN
- 7 WHICH HEALTH SERVICES SPENT THE GREATEST AMOUNT OF LITIGATION
- 8 EXPENSES WAS IN EMPLOYMENT. AND THEY SPENT \$4.9 MILLION IN
- 9 EMPLOYMENT, AND L.A.C.+U.S.C. SPENT THE LION'S SHARE OF THAT
- 10 AT \$2.2 MILLION. AND MOST OF THAT \$2.2 MILLION WAS SPENT IN
- 11 THE AREA OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT. AND THE LARGEST CASE THERE, AND
- 12 THEY SPENT \$850,000 IN THE AREA OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT LAST
- 13 YEAR. NOW LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT PUBLIC WORKS. AND INCIDENTALLY,
- 14 THESE THREE DEPARTMENTS ARE THE LARGEST DEPARTMENTS, AS WELL
- 15 AS SPENDING THE MOST MONEY. SO, IT'S NOT SURPRISING. LAST
- 16 YEAR, PUBLIC WORKS SPENT \$7.2 MILLION OVERALL IN LITIGATION,
- 17 UP FROM 5.8 MILLION, UP ABOUT \$1.14 [MILLION] COMPARED TO LAST
- 18 YEAR. GENERAL LIABILITY WAS THEIR LARGEST COST DRIVER LAST
- 19 YEAR AT \$4.6 MILLION. AND PUBLIC WORKS SPENT \$2.6 MILLION ON
- 20 ROADWAY CONDITION CASES, WHICH WAS ONE OF THEIR MOST EXPENSIVE
- 21 AREAS. THE RADNER CASE WAS THE BIGGEST CASE LAST YEAR. IT
- 22 INVOLVED THE COLLISION OF TWO MOTORCYCLES ON LITTLE TUJUNGA,
- 23 AND THE JUDGMENT THERE WAS -- AND THERE WAS ISSUES OF GRAVEL
- 24 ON THE ROAD. SO, THERE WAS A JUDGMENT OF OVER \$800,000.
- 25 SPECIAL DISTRICTS WAS THE SECOND AREA. HOWEVER, IN THE GENERAL



- 1 LIABILITY AREA, YOU CAN SEE THAT THE \$4.6 MILLION SPENT THIS
- 2 YEAR WAS MUCH LOWER THAN WHAT WAS SPENT IN '11/'12 AND DOWN
- 3 FROM WHAT WAS SPENT IN '12/'13. ALSO, IT IS CONSIDERABLY LESS,
- 4 ABOUT 40 PERCENT LESS THAN THE AVERAGE GENERAL LIABILITY
- 5 EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS, WHICH
- 6 WAS \$7.6 MILLION. IN ADDITION, THERE WAS GROUND WATER
- 7 ADJUDICATION CASE, WHICH THE DEPARTMENT PAYS AND IS REIMBURSED
- 8 BY THE WATER DISTRICTS. AND THAT THIS YEAR WAS \$1.5 MILLION.
- 9 SO, THAT IS NOT DEPARTMENT MONEY. THEY ARE REIMBURSED FOR THAT
- 10 MONEY. IT DOES NOT COME FROM THE GENERAL FUND. LET'S TALK
- 11 QUICKLY ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,
- 12 THE FOURTH DEPARTMENT OF THE SIX. THEY SPENT AN EQUAL AMOUNT
- 13 AS PUBLIC WORKS OF \$7.2 MILLION THIS YEAR, UP FROM \$4.2
- 14 MILLION LAST YEAR. OF THE \$7.2 MILLION, THE LARGEST COST
- 15 DRIVERS WERE GENERAL LIABILITY AT \$3.9 MILLION AND EMPLOYMENT
- 16 AT \$3.2 MILLION. D.C.F.S. SPENT \$2.4 MILLION IN REMOVING
- 17 CHILDREN FROM PARENTAL HOMES. THE LARGEST CASE WAS DOE. THAT,
- 18 OF COURSE, IS NOT THE REAL NAME. TWO CHILDREN WERE REMOVED
- 19 FROM THE PARENTS. AND THERE WAS A SETTLEMENT OF \$800,000.
- 20 EMPLOYMENT AT \$3.2 [MILLION]. D.C.F. SPENT \$2.4 MILLION AGAIN
- 21 ON WRONGFUL TERMINATION CASES. AND THE LARGEST CASE WAS
- 22 ABYANE, WHERE A SUPERVISING SOCIAL WORKER WAS RUNNING A
- 23 PERSONAL BUSINESS AND THAT PRESENTED A CONFLICT. SHE DIDN'T
- 24 DIVULGE THAT, AND SHE WAS TERMINATED. THE NEXT DEPARTMENT IS
- 25 PROBATION. PROBATION SPENT \$4.2 MILLION THIS YEAR, UP FROM



- 1 \$3.2 MILLION LAST YEAR. LAW ENFORCEMENT WAS THEIR LARGEST COST
- 2 DRIVER THIS YEAR, AND THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT SPENT \$2.8
- 3 MILLION ON FAILURE TO PROTECT. MARSHALL, I MENTIONED EARLIER,
- 4 WAS THE WARD AT CAMP MILLER, AND THAT SETTLED FOR \$1.2
- 5 MILLION. THE FINAL DEPARTMENT IS THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND THE
- 6 FIRE DEPARTMENT SPENT \$2.4 MILLION THIS YEAR, DOWN FROM \$4.9
- 7 [MILLION] LAST YEAR, A CONSIDERABLE DROP. EMPLOYMENT WAS THE
- 8 FIRE DEPARTMENT'S LARGEST COST DRIVER AT \$1 MILLION. AND RACE
- 9 DISCRIMINATION CASES PRESENTED THEIR BIGGEST PROBLEM, AND
- 10 THEIR LARGEST CASE, STEPHENSON, WAS SETTLED FOR \$100,000. NOW,
- 11 EMPLOYMENT WAS A CONSIDERABLE EXPENSE, BUT AS YOU CAN SEE FROM
- 12 THIS CHART, IT DROPPED FROM LAST YEAR'S PAYMENT OF \$2.7
- 13 MILLION, 63 PERCENT DOWN TO THE \$1 MILLION THAT I MENTIONED
- 14 EARLIER. SO, THINGS ARE IMPROVING DRAMATICALLY AT THE FIRE
- 15 DEPARTMENT IN THE EMPLOYMENT AREA. FINALLY, IT SHOULD BE NOTED
- 16 THAT OF THE \$18.9 MILLION, THAT INCLUDES CONTRACT CITIES
- 17 PAYMENTS, WATER DISTRICT PAYMENTS AND CONTRACT CITIES AND
- 18 WHERE PRIMARILY OUR DEPUTIES ARE ASSIGNED TO CITIES. AND WHEN
- 19 THERE ARE LAWSUITS THAT ARISE OUT OF THEIR CONDUCT, THE
- 20 CONTRACT CITIES' TRUST FUND PAYS FOR THAT. THE WATER DISTRICTS
- 21 -- AND THE CONTRACT CITIES PRIMARILY INVOLVES THE SHERIFF'S
- 22 DEPARTMENT, WATER DISTRICT INVOLVES PUBLIC WORKS, AND I'VE
- 23 MENTIONED THAT BEFOREY TALKED ABOUT THE WATER, THE PUBLIC
- 24 WORKS DEPARTMENT. FLOOD CONTROL ALSO INVOLVES THE PUBLIC WORKS
- 25 DEPARTMENT. IN FACT, THEY HAVE APPROXIMATELY \$2 MILLION OF

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- 1 MONIES THAT ARE NOT PAID FROM THE GENERAL FUND BUT, RATHER, BY
- 2 CONTRACT CITIES, WATER DISTRICTS, AND FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICTS.
- 3 IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE HAD RECOVERIES THIS YEAR OF
- 4 APPROXIMATELY \$4.6 MILLION, WHICH INCLUDED A FALSE CLAIM CASE
- 5 AGAINST OFFICE DEPOT IN WHICH COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEYS ARGUED
- 6 AGAINST A LARGE 50-PERCENT ATTORNEYS' FEES AWARD RESULT ON A
- 7 \$68 MILLION RECOVERY. AND THEY WERE SUCCESSFUL WITH THAT. AND
- 8 THE COUNTY RECOVERED ABOUT \$2.4 MILLION IN THE OFFICE DEPOT
- 9 CASE. AND ALL TOGETHER, THEN, THOSE ADD UP, THE CONTRACT
- 10 CITIES, WATER DISTRICT, FLOOD CONTROL AND RECOVERY CASES ADD
- 11 UP TO \$15.2 MILLION. SO, THE REAL NET BOTTOM LINE EXPENSES FOR
- 12 THE COUNTY THIS YEAR, ALTHOUGH \$118.9 MILLION INCLUDE THE
- 13 OVERALL, IS \$103.7 MILLION. AND THAT CONCLUDES THE
- 14 PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

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16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MR. ROBLES?

- 18 STEVE ROBLES: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVE ROBLES. I'M THE
- 19 COUNTY RISK MANAGER. I'LL BE COVERING SOME ELEMENTS THAT ARE
- 20 SEPARATE FROM THE LITIGATION REPORT. I'M GOING TO FOCUS ON OUR
- 21 TOTAL COST TO RISK, WORKERS' COMP LOSSES, SOME LIABILITY
- 22 TRENDS, AND PREVENTION ACTIVITIES THAT WE DO. THE COUNTY'S
- 23 TOTAL COST TO RISK IS THE COST OF ALL WORKERS' COMP CLAIMS AND
- 24 LAWSUITS COMBINED TOGETHER DIVIDED BY THE COUNTY'S OPERATING
- 25 BUDGET. WE USE THAT NUMBER TO MEASURE THE RELATIVE LOSS



- 1 EXPERIENCE OF THE COUNTY AS IT EQUATES TO HOW WE EITHER ARE
- 2 GROWING OR CONTRACTING RELATIVE TO OUR BUDGET. OUR TOTAL COST
- 3 TO RISK INCREASED 5.4 PERCENT LAST YEAR, AND IT NOW SITS AT
- 4 2.26 PERCENT RELATIVE TO THE COUNTY'S OPERATING BUDGET. 70
- 5 PERCENT OF THE ANNUAL TOTAL COSTS TO RISK CAN BE ATTRIBUTABLE
- 6 TO THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COSTS ON THE COUNTY. ONE OF THE
- 7 REASONS WHY OUR TOTAL COSTS TO RISK IS TRENDING UP BEYOND THE
- 8 LITIGATION PIECE IS BECAUSE WORKERS' COMP COSTS HAVE
- 9 STATUTORILY REQUIRED ELEMENTS THAT WE HAVE TO PAY OUR INJURED
- 10 WORKERS THAT INCREASE EVERY YEAR. OUR COSTS ARE INCREASING AT
- 11 THE RATE OF THOSE STATUTORY INCREASES. AND TO ILLUSTRATE, ONE
- 12 OF THE AREAS THAT OUR TREND IS GOING DOWN IS IN OUR WORKERS'
- 13 COMP INJURIES. THE COUNTY HAD 3.6 PERCENT LESS INJURIES LAST
- 14 YEAR EVEN THOUGH OUR WORKERS' COMP COSTS WENT UP. AND THIS IS
- 15 NOTHING WHERE WE CAN ACTUALLY DO ABOUT THE STATUTORY MANDATES,
- 16 BUT WE CAN DO STUFF, ELEMENTS OF PREVENTING THE INJURIES FROM
- 17 HAPPENING, WHICH IS WHAT THE DEPARTMENTS ARE DOING. THE OTHER
- 18 ELEMENT WITH WORKERS' COMPENSATION IS THAT OUR INJURIES DATE
- 19 BACK SEVERAL DECADES. AN EMPLOYEE THAT WAS INJURED SEVERAL
- 20 DECADES AGO THAT WE ARE STILL PAYING FOR THEIR REQUIRED
- 21 MEDICAL AS WELL AS DISABILITY BENEFITS AND SO FORTH ARE
- 22 CONTINUING TODAY. SO WE CAN'T JUST TAKE A SNAPSHOT OF THE
- 23 ACCIDENTS THAT HAPPENED LAST YEAR. WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THE
- 24 LOSSES THAT OCCURRED SEVERAL DECADES AGO AND PROJECT THEM INTO
- 25 THE FUTURE. TO DO THAT, WE EMPLOY AN INDEPENDENT ACTUARIAL



- 1 ANALYSIS FIRM THAT DOES AN ANNUAL ACTUARY FOR US TO SHOW US
- 2 WHERE WE'RE HEADING TO MAKE SURE WE DON'T HAVE ANY UNUSUAL
- 3 ANOMALIES GOING ON FROM WHAT IS BEYOND OUR EXPECTATIONS. WHAT
- 4 THE ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS SHOWED US THIS YEAR IS THAT WE'RE
- 5 STAYING FLAT, WHICH IS GOOD. WE'RE NOT HAVING ANYTHING UNUSUAL
- 6 HAPPEN IN THOSE FORMER CLAIMS. AND THAT THE COSTS ARE GOING TO
- 7 CONTINUE TO INCREASE BECAUSE OF THOSE STATUTORY MANDATES FOR
- 8 THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS. AND LAST YEAR WHEN I PRESENTED, I
- 9 ALSO HAD THE SAME ISSUE. AND SO WE'RE GOING TO SEE THAT
- 10 INCREASE FOR THE NEXT FEW MORE YEARS. HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF
- 11 INJURIES, AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, ARE GOING DOWN IN THE
- 12 COUNTY. OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS, THE COUNTY HAS AVERAGED
- 13 ABOUT THE SAME FREQUENCY RATE YEAR OVER YEAR. SO, WHILE WE ARE
- 14 -- WE AS EMPLOYEES ARE DOING MORE AND WE ARE OUT IN THE
- 15 COMMUNITIES AND WE'RE DOING THINGS, WE'RE NOT GETTING INJURED
- MORE. BUT THE COSTS ARE RISING. THE MAJORITY OF THE INJURIES
- 17 THAT OUR EMPLOYEES HAVE ARE RELATED TO OVEREXERTION, WHICH IS
- 18 STRAINS AND SPRAINS AND THOSE TYPE OF INJURIES, EXPOSURES,
- 19 FALLS, AND CUMULATIVE TRAUMA. MR. ESTABROOK COVERED A LOT ON
- 20 THE GENERAL LIABILITY, SO I'M NOT GOING TO GO INTO THOSE
- 21 COSTS, BUT I WANTED TO POINT OUT SOME OF THE TRENDS. AND HE
- 22 COVERED ONE OF THE TRENDS, BUT I WANTED TO COVER SOME OF THE
- 23 OTHER TRENDS. HIS TRENDS WILL SHOW YOU THE DIRECTION THAT
- 24 WE'RE HEADING OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS. AS HE MENTIONED,
- 25 WITH THE 3-1/2 YEAR LAG TIME FOR OUR CLAIMS, IF WE'RE TRENDING



- 1 DOWN THIS YEAR, WE CAN EXPECT TO SEE A DIFFERENT COST PATTERN
- 2 DOWN THE ROAD. SO, IN EMPLOYMENT AND AUTO LIABILITY, WE ARE
- 3 SEEING AN INCREASE. WE SAW AN INCREASE LAST YEAR. IT WAS THE
- 4 FIRST INCREASE THAT WE HAD IN THREE YEARS IN BOTH OF THOSE
- 5 ELEMENTS. HOWEVER, IN OUR MEDICAL MALPRACTICE, WE SAW
- 6 DECREASING CLAIMS ABOUT 27 PERCENT. IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, WE SAW
- 7 DECREASING CLAIMS, AS MR. ESTABROOK MENTIONED, OF ABOUT 22
- 8 PERCENT. AND WE ALSO SAW A DECREASE IN OUR CLAIMS WITH OUR
- 9 OVERALL GENERAL LIABILITY CLAIMS. SOME OF THE PREVENTION
- 10 ACTIVITIES THAT WE DO IN THE COUNTY ARE BOTH ON WORKER'S COMP
- 11 AND LIABILITY, IS TRAINING THOUSANDS -- OR I SHOULDN'T SAY
- 12 THOUSANDS, AT LEAST A THOUSAND MANAGERS A YEAR. WE TRAIN THEM
- 13 ON EMPLOYMENT LIABILITY, GENERAL LIABILITY. WE TRAIN THEM ON
- 14 PREVENTION ACTIVITIES, ON WHAT THEY CAN COMMUNICATE TO THEIR
- 15 EMPLOYEES, AS WELL AS EMPLOYMENT AND VEHICLE LIABILITY. WE
- 16 ALSO THIS YEAR REWROTE THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN PROCESS,
- 17 WHICH OUR RISK MANAGEMENT INSPECTOR GENERAL WORKED ON WITH THE
- 18 BOARD OFFICES TO HELP GET BETTER DEFINED CORRECTIVE ACTIONS.
- 19 AND WE WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS THE BOARD OFFICES
- 20 TO MAKE SURE FROM THE LIABILITY PERSPECTIVE THAT ONCE WE HAVE
- 21 A CLAIM, WE'RE NOT GETTING THE REPEAT OFFENDERS. LASTLY, WHAT
- 22 WE PROVIDE IS DEPARTMENTS IS DEPARTMENT-SPECIFIC ENTERPRISE
- 23 RISK MANAGEMENT DASHBOARD, WHICH ALLOWS THE DEPARTMENTS TO SEE
- 24 WHERE THEIR LOSSES ARE AND ALLOWS THEM TIME OR ACTUALLY ALLOWS

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- 1 THEM TO TAKE ACTIONS OFF OF THEIR CURRENT TRENDS IN THEIR
- 2 SPECIFIC DEPARTMENTS. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY REPORT.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE: COULD I JUST ASK A QUESTION WITH REGARDS TO THAT
- 5 LAST?

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7 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE: PART OF THIS, SO THAT WE DON'T GET THE REPEAT
- 10 SITUATION, DO YOU HAVE A TRACKING SYSTEM IN PLACE? IS THAT
- 11 WHAT'S HAPPENING?

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- 13 STEVE ROBLES: YES, WE DO. WE HAVE A TRACKING SYSTEM IN PLACE
- 14 AS WELL AS COUNTY-WIDE. WHEN WE SEE -- WHEN THE RISK
- 15 MANAGEMENT INSPECTOR GENERAL SEES SOMETHING, LET'S SAY AN
- 16 EMPLOYMENT CASE IN D.C.F.S. THAT IS APPLICABLE TO OTHER AREAS,
- 17 SHE WILL ISSUE THAT OUT TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS SAYING "WE HAVE
- 18 AN APPLICABILITY ISSUE HERE THAT NEEDS TO BE PAID ATTENTION TO
- 19 IN OTHER DEPARTMENTS." AND WE ALSO TRACK ALL THE CORRECTIVE
- 20 ACTIONS AS WELL AS FOLLOWUPS ON THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS.

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22 SUP. KNABE: AND THE INDIVIDUALS, TOO, RIGHT, CORRECT?

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24 STEVE ROBLES: THE INDIVIDUALS LIKE THE OFFENDERS, I THINK?

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT.

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- 3 STEVE ROBLES: YEAH. WHAT WE'LL DO IS MOST OF THE CORRECTIVE
- 4 ACTIONS WILL HAVE -- IF IT'S A PERSONAL-RELATED, BY THE TIME
- 5 WE GET IT, IT'S ALREADY BEEN DONE. HOWEVER, IF IT'S A POLICY
- 6 SITUATION WHERE THE POLICY NEEDS TO BE PUT IN PLACE, THAT'S
- 7 USUALLY WHERE WE'LL HAVE TO FOLLOW-UP TO SEE, HAS THAT POLICY
- 8 BEEN PUT IN PLACE.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE: SO, THAT DEPARTMENTAL TRACKING SYSTEM IS IN CASE
- 11 THERE'S A PARTICULAR ISSUE THAT COMES UP IN ONE DEPARTMENT
- 12 THAT NEEDS TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NEXT DEPARTMENT SO THAT
- 13 WORD GETS OUT TO THE COUNTY THAT THIS IS THE POSSIBILITY.
- 14 YOU'RE TRACKING THAT, AS WELL, TOO, THEN?

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16 STEVE ROBLES: THAT'S CORRECT.

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18 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU.

- 20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD. DO WE HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS FROM
- 21 BOARD MEMBERS? I JUST WANT TO COMPLIMENT BOTH OF YOU FOR
- 22 GIVING US THIS PRESENTATION AND THE THOROUGHNESS AND ACTUALLY
- 23 POINTING OUT FOR US WHERE WE HAVE CONTROLS THAT WE HAVE IN
- 24 PLACE AND PROBABLY COULD DO A BETTER JOB AT COMING BACK AND
- 25 REMINDING OUR STAFF, MORE TRAINING AND MAYBE AT A LOWER LEVEL.



- 1 I GET THAT YOU HAVE TO DO THE MANAGERIAL TRAINING, BUT THEN
- 2 MAKING SURE THAT THERE'S SOME ACCOUNTABILITY, THAT IT'S
- 3 ACTUALLY TRICKLING DOWN AND THERE'S AN IMPACT. I AM CONCERNED,
- 4 THOUGH, WITH THE FACT THAT THE WORKERS' COMP CASES, BECAUSE OF
- 5 THE FORMULA THAT WE HAVE TO ABIDE BY BY THE STATE, IS SOMEWHAT
- 6 OUT OUR CONTROL. PERHAPS THERE'S SOMETHING WE CAN DO TO
- 7 SENSITIZE THE LEGISLATURE IN TERMS OF OUR PREDICAMENT AS WE
- 8 MOVE FORWARD. AND THEN, I AM ALSO EQUALLY CONCERNED REGARDING
- 9 THE SHERIFF. I REALIZE THAT MANY OF THE CASES THAT WE'RE
- 10 LOOKING AT HERE IN THIS REPORT STEM BACK SOME 3-1/2 YEARS. AND
- 11 WHILE I HAVEN'T BEEN HERE 3-1/2 YEARS, I CERTAINLY WANT TO
- 12 KEEP MY EYE ON THE BALL TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE DOING
- 13 EVERYTHING WE CAN TO GIVE FEEDBACK. AND I UNDERSTAND THE
- 14 SHERIFF IS WORKING WITH US COOPERATIVELY ON CORRECTIVE PLANS
- 15 AND WHAT HAVE YOU, BUT I DON'T WANT TO SEE CORRECTIVE PLANS
- 16 FOR THE SAKE OF JUST HAVING A REPORT THAT SITS SOMEWHERE AND
- 17 NO ONE TAKES ACTION ON IT. AND SO I THINK THAT'S GOING TO BE
- 18 VERY IMPORTANT FOR US AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND THAT WE ACTUALLY
- 19 MEASURE THESE PROGRESS AND ACTUALLY TRY TO ROOT OUT WHERE
- 20 THOSE PROBLEMS COME FROM, BECAUSE I KNOW OVERALL, THE SHERIFF
- 21 I BELIEVE FEELS THE SAME WAY IS THAT WE'RE GOING IN A BETTER
- 22 DIRECTION, BUT WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO HAVE OUR FOOT ON THE
- 23 PEDAL, SO TO SPEAK. SO, OVERALL, I KNOW THAT THIS IS A VERY
- 24 COSTLY ITEM FOR THE COUNTY, BECAUSE WE'D MUCH RATHER SEE THIS
- 25 MONEY SPENT ON OTHER SERVICES. BUT, AGAIN, WE KNOW WE HAVE A

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- 1 PLAN IN FRONT OF US. NOW WE HAVE TO IMPLEMENT IT AND MAKE SURE
- 2 THAT ALL OF US ARE EQUALLY ENGAGED AND MONITORING AND GETTING
- 3 THE FEEDBACK THAT'S NECESSARY NOT ONLY TO US, TO THE BOARD,
- 4 BUT TO OUR EMPLOYEES AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS, WITH THE SHERIFF,
- 5 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. I'M GLAD TO SEE HEALTH, THE
- 6 DEPARTMENT THERE, HAS BEEN ABLE TO REDUCE, BUT I AM CONCERNED
- 7 OVERALL WHEN I HEAR ABOUT SEXUAL HARASSMENT CASES, THINGS OF
- 8 THAT NATURE. AND THAT MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE THERE. SOME OF US
- 9 HAVE A REAL SENSITIVITY TO THAT. I WOULD JUST END THERE. YES,
- 10 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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- 12 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH: RELATIVE TO THE 24 PERCENT INCREASE,
- 13 WHAT PERCENT OF THAT WAS THE RESULT OF THE COUNTY DEFENDING
- 14 ITSELF AND PREVAILING AND WE HAD TO PAY THE COSTS, VERSUS THE
- 15 AMOUNT WE HAD TO PAY BECAUSE WE HAD LOST FOR THE SERVICES WE
- 16 HAD PROVIDED OR FAILED TO PROVIDE?

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- 18 STEVEN ESTABROOK: THAT WOULD BE REFLECTED IN THE 169 CASES
- 19 THAT WERE DISMISSED DURING THE COURSE OF THE YEAR WITH JUST
- 20 PAYMENT OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS. AND THAT WOULD BE IN THE
- 21 ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS SECTION. IT CAN EITHER BE THE COST
- 22 FOR THE LIFE OF THE CASE OR JUST THE COST THIS YEAR. BUT I CAN
- 23 GET YOU THOSE FIGURES. I DON'T HAVE THEM.

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- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: I WOULD HAVE THAT AS PART OF THE
- 2 PRESENTATION, SO WE WOULD HAVE A FULL UNDERSTANDING THAT THE
- 3 COSTS, PART OF OUR COSTS THAT WE HAVE ARE GENERATED BY
- 4 FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS, WHICH WE HAVE TO DEFEND, AND YET PAY THE
- 5 COSTS. AND SO WE HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING WHEN WE ADDRESS
- 6 THIS ISSUE AND WE IMPLEMENT THE NECESSARY REFORMS TO CONTINUE
- 7 CUTTING THESE ADDITIONAL COSTS.

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9 STEVEN ESTABROOK: THANK YOU.

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11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MR. KNABE?

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- 13 SUP. KNABE: I'M NOT SURE -- MAYBE YOU CAN GIVE US AN EXAMPLE -
- 14 BUT I'M NOT SURE WHETHER WE CAN DISCUSS THIS. MAYBE COUNTY
- 15 COUNSEL CAN SAY SOMETHING. BUT THE EXAMPLE, WHY DID WE SETTLE
- 16 FOR LIKE \$1.4 MILLION WITH AN EMPLOYEE THAT WE KNEW HAD A
- 17 BUSINESS? THAT EXAMPLE.

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19 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: ARE YOU SPEAKING ABOUT THE ABYONE CASE?

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21 SUP. KNABE: RIGHT.

- 23 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: YES, THAT CASE WENT TO TRIAL. WE DIDN'T
- 24 SETTLE THAT CASE. WE TRIED THAT CASE. AND WE BROUGHT FORTH THE
- 25 EVIDENCE THAT THE SUPERVISING SOCIAL WORKER HAD A SIDE

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- 1 BUSINESS. AND THAT SIDE BUSINESS PRESENTED A DIRECT CONFLICT
- 2 WITH THE DEPARTMENT. THE EMPLOYEE DID NOT DIVULGE THE FACT
- 3 THAT SHE WAS ACTING IN THAT CAPACITY. AND SO SHE WAS
- 4 TERMINATED. THIS WENT TO TRIAL. AND HER POSITION WAS HER
- 5 TERMINATION WAS A RESULT OF A RETALIATION AND DISCRIMINATION.
- 6 AND THE JURY DECIDED THAT HER CASE WAS THE CORRECT WAY. SO WE
- 7 LOST THAT CASE.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE: HOW ARE WE DOING ON -- SOME OF THE NUMBERS ARE
- 10 GOOD THERE ON -- ON THE MEDICAL MALPRACTICE, ON THE REPEAT
- 11 CASES. I MEAN, HOW ARE WE CONTROLLING MEDICAL MALPRACTICE?

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- 13 STEVEN ESTABROOK: WELL, I THINK THE BEST WAY THAT WE'RE
- 14 CONTROLLING, THE MOST IMPORTANT WAY THAT WE'RE CONTROLLING IT
- 15 IS --

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17 SUP. KNABE: CORRECTIVE ACTIONS?

- 19 STEVEN ESTABROOK: YES, CORRECTIVE ACTION, AND ALSO GETTING IN
- 20 EARLY, LOOKING AT THE CASE EARLY, LINING UP THE EXPERTS THAT
- 21 WE NEED TO TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THE CASE, AND WORKING TOGETHER
- 22 WITH OUR OUTSIDE LAWYERS, OUR INSIDE LAWYERS, AND DECIDING
- 23 EARLY, IS THIS ONE THAT WE WANT TO FIGHT, OR IS THIS ONE THAT
- 24 WE SHOULD SETTLE? AND THAT KEEPS THE COSTS DOWN IF WE CAN GET
- 25 IT FOR THE RIGHT PRICE.

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2 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU.

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS? IF
- 5 NOT, THEN WE'LL HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC AT THIS TIME. DR.
- 6 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. WAYNE FROM ENCINO. ERIC PREVEN. HERMAN
- 7 HERMAN. MR. PREVEN, GO AHEAD.

- 9 ERIC PREVEN: OKAY, FINE. HI, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, A COUNTY
- 10 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3, AND THANKS TO THE RISK MANAGEMENT
- 11 TEAM AND ESTABROOK FOR THAT REPORT. ONE QUESTION FOR HIM
- 12 BEFORE HE LEAVES THE BUILDING IS, WHAT ABOUT THE CONTRACT
- 13 PANEL RATE? WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT THIS HISTORICALLY. IT'S A
- 14 LOWER RATE FOR MUNICIPAL COUNTY LAWYERS TO HELP AT A LOWER
- 15 RATE. I JUST DON'T KNOW IF IT'S BEEN INCREASED OR IF WE'RE
- 16 STILL USING IT. I THINK THAT WOULD BE GOOD TO KNOW. IT'S VERY
- 17 SMART IDEA. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE CLAIMS BOARD, BECAUSE WE
- 18 HAVE -- THOUGH THESE ARE OLDER CASES, WE JUST PUT A GUY, ROGER
- 19 GRANBO, WHO'S GREAT, A LAWYER WHO WORKS FOR THE COUNTY, ON THE
- 20 CLAIMS BOARD. THAT IS THE GUY WHO PRESIDED FOR A LONG TIME
- 21 OVER THIS KIND OF THING. AND I THINK THAT SENDS A STRANGE
- 22 SIGNAL TO THE PUBLIC THAT WE REALLY MOVED ON. IT'S THE SAME
- 23 TEAM. SO I THINK THAT'S WORTH LOOKING AT. I WANT TO JUST
- 24 CLARIFY FOR THE SUPERVISORS THAT THOUGH IT'S NICE TO KNOW THAT
- 25 THERE ARE ONLY A HANDFUL OF REALLY MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR CASES,

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- 1 WE HAVE TO BE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE MUCH SMALLER BUT ODIOUS
- 2 CASES THAT ARE PILED UP ALL OVER THE PLACE. THAT IS WHAT I
- 3 THINK ADDS UP. I MEAN, IT'S NICE TO KNOW THAT ONLY, YOU KNOW,
- 4 OUT OF -- I DON'T KNOW IF I HAVE THE NUMBERS ON THE TIP OF MY
- 5 TONGUE, BUT SOMETHING LIKE, YOU KNOW, WHAT IS IT, \$40 MILLION
- 6 IN SHERIFF'S STUFF, ONLY A FEW OF THOSE ARE EXCESSIVE FORCE IN
- 7 THE JAILS. BUT, YOU KNOW, IT'S THE PILE OF CASES THAT HAVE
- 8 GONE ON AND ON AND CONTINUE. AND BY THE WAY, IT'S WORTH NOTING
- 9 THAT TO TAKE A LEGAL ACTION AGAINST ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
- 10 IS NEXT TO -- IT'S VERY HARD. THE IDEA THAT YOU HAVE A
- 11 JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU IS VERY RARE. THERE ARE ENORMOUS
- 12 IMMUNITIES, AS EVERYBODY KNOWS. AND I JUST THINK THAT WE DO
- 13 NEED TO DOUBLE DOWN ON A NEW DIRECTION, WHICH IS TO OPEN THE
- 14 LIGHTS AND BE CLEAR ABOUT THIS. I THINK THAT THOUGH THEY DO A
- 15 GOOD JOB OF MOVING THE REPORT AROUND, I THINK WE SHOULD BE
- 16 DISCLOSING ALL OF THE CASES ON ONE WEBSITE WHERE THEY ARE
- 17 READABLE, AS OPPOSED TO ON MULTIPLE DIFFERENT AGENDAS ALL OVER
- 18 THE YEAR. AND IN CONCLUSION, I WOULD JUST ASK THAT WE LOOK TO
- 19 SEE IF SPARKING A TASER IS APPROPRIATE. I THINK SPARKING A
- 20 TASER IN A CUSTODY SETTING IS TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE. I DON'T
- 21 THINK IT IS FOR GETTING COMPLIANCE. I THINK IT IS FOR
- 22 AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR. SO, THANK YOU.

24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME'S EXPIRED. THANK YOU. DOCTOR.

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- 1 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
- 2 CLAVREUL. ON THE REPORT, YOU KNOW, I THINK IT WAS VERY CLEAR,
- 3 BUT MY CONCERN, AND I BROUGHT IT BEFORE, IS THAT THE
- 4 DEPARTMENT OF D.H.S. GOT NUMEROUS SEXUAL HARASSMENT LAWSUITS
- 5 AGAINST THEM. AND IN ADDITION TO THAT, THEY HAD A FINE OF
- 6 \$600,000, BECAUSE THEY CHOSE NOT TO DO ANYTHING TO CORRECT THE
- 7 SITUATION. AND THAT NEEDS TO BE DEALT WITH. I MEAN, YES, COME
- 8 BACK REPEATEDLY. IT IS NO REASON THAT IN A COUNTY WE HAVE
- 9 SEXUAL HARASSMENT LAWSUITS, ESPECIALLY IN D.H.S., AND TO BE
- 10 FINED \$600,000 BECAUSE NO CHANGE HAD BEEN MADE TO PREVENT
- 11 FURTHER HARASSMENT. AND I KNOW THAT THERE HAS BEEN LAWSUITS
- 12 ABOUT SEXUAL AFTER THAT. I WOULD LIKE THAT TO BE REALLY LOOKED
- 13 AT. I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. I THINK THAT'S
- 14 INACCEPTABLE. AND IN A MALPRACTICE ISSUE, I THINK SOME OF THE
- 15 CORRECTION ALSO NEEDS TO BE MADE TO PREVENT OTHER MALPRACTICE.
- 16 THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

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18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS?

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- 20 WAYNE SPINDLER: WHAT A SURPRISE. ALL OF YOU GETTING SUED AND
- 21 WONDERING WHY THE NUMBERS GO UP. I CAN'T EVEN GO TO THIS
- 22 MEETING WITHOUT BEING SURROUNDED BY ALL THESE GUARDS. SEE,
- 23 FIRST YOU HAVE TO START AT HOME BASE. IN AN ORGANIZATION, I
- 24 KNOW WHAT I'M GOING TO HEAR.

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- 1 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC. PLEASE STAY ON
- 2 TOPIC.

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4 WAYNE SPINDLER: OKAY, THEN I'LL STAY ON THE TOPIC.

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6 ATTORNEY: THANK YOU.

- 8 WAYNE SPINDLER: \$60 MILLION, [SOUND ISSUE], POLICE AND
- 9 SHERIFF'S ABUSE. OF COURSE, NONE OF YOUR COPS ARE LIABLE,
- 10 BECAUSE THEY'RE INNOCENT AND ALL OF THESE LAWSUITS ARE JUST
- 11 FRIVOLOUS. THAT'S THE REASON WHY YOU PAY OUT THE MONEY,
- 12 BECAUSE YOU LIKE TO PAY FOR FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS, RIGHT? THAT'S
- 13 WHAT YOUR REPORT SAYS. THAT'S WHAT THE KNABE QUESTION WAS
- 14 ABOUT. WHY ARE WE PAYING SO MUCH MONEY FOR ALL THESE LAWYERS
- 15 TO SUE L.A. COUNTY WHEN WE'RE SO GOOD? YES, THERE'S NO ABUSE
- 16 IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S JAILS. LIKE UP IN CASTAIC, FOR
- 17 EXAMPLE, THEY DIDN'T CHAIN THOSE MEN TO THE WALL. NO, IT'S ALL
- 18 IN YOUR MINDS. IT'S ALL FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS, EVERYBODY JUST
- 19 MAKING THINGS UP, MAKING UP ALL THESE IMAGINARY CLAIMS, WITH
- 20 FILING IMAGERY LAWSUITS. AND YOU'RE PAYING THESE LAWSUITS,
- 21 BECAUSE, WHY? BECAUSE YOU LIKE US. YOU REALLY LIKE TO PAY
- 22 PEOPLE FOR THE HELP THEY NEED IN LIFE, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT YOU
- 23 DO IN L.A. COUNTY. YOU CAN COME HERE. YOU CAN FILE A FRIVOLOUS
- 24 LAWSUIT AND GET PAID \$20,000, \$100,000 JUST LIKE THAT. SO,

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- 1 COME TO L.A.! FILE A LAWSUIT AND GET PAID. TAKE IN THE BEACH
- 2 AND SPEND YOUR MONEY HERE IN L.A.

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT WITNESS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO CALL UP
- 5 ARNOLD SACHS, RUTH SARNOFF, AND PRENTISS JENKINS.

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- 7 HERMAN HERMAN: IT'S VERY OBVIOUS THAT COUNSEL, MISS MARY HERE,
- 8 IS VERY WELL ABOUT PAYOUTS, AS SHE WELL KNOWS THAT THERE'S NO
- 9 SUCH THING AS EXCESSIVE FORCE ENTITLEMENTS, LET ALONE THE
- 10 COUNTY SPENT ONLY \$15.7 MILLION ON LITIGATION. NOW, WHEN YOU
- 11 THINK ABOUT LITIGATION, FRIVOLOUS LITIGATION SUCH AS WALTZ
- 12 VERSUS THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IN ONE AREA, AND WHAT ABOUT
- 13 BARDEN VERSUS SACRAMENTO? YOU THINK OF ALL THESE PAYOUTS JUST
- 14 SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY INVOLVE INDIVIDUALS WITH INVISIBLE
- 15 DISABILITIES WHO ENCOUNTER THE UNFORTUNATE CONSEQUENCES THAT
- 16 IF YOU DON'T LISTEN AND FOLLOW YOUR RULES, THEN YOU ARE TO BE
- 17 BEATEN DOWN AND THEN TAKEN BEFORE A PROCESS CALLED LITIGATION.
- 18 AND THEN WITHIN THAT LITIGATION, LIKE THE BROWN ACT POINTS
- 19 OUT, 54950, IS THAT NO MATTER HOW YOU SAY IT, NO MATTER HOW
- 20 YOU INVESTIGATE YOUR TIME TO PRONOUNCE IT --

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- 22 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC. THE TOPIC IS THE
- 23 COST OF LITIGATION REPORT FOR THIS YEAR. THANK YOU.

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- 1 HERMAN HERMAN: SOME PAYOUTS DON'T FALL INTO THAT LITIGATION.
- 2 SO, PRIORITY NUMBER 1 WAS MEDICAL, BUT THAT'S NOT OF YOUR
- 3 INTEREST. IT'S JUST BEST JUST TO PAY OUT, ANYWAYS. AND WHEN IT
- 4 COMES TO ENFORCEMENT, FOR EXCESSIVE FORCE, YES, YOU'RE GOING
- 5 TO CHARGE US AND SAY TO US, "OH, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC. DRAG THE
- 6 [EXPLITIVE] OFF THE STAGE AND HAVE HIM SIT DOWN BECAUSE HE'S
- 7 OFF TOPIC." BUT WE'RE NOT PAID SPEAKERS, AND THAT'S THE
- 8 DIFFERENCE. AND THAT'S THE DIFFERENCE WHY THE CITY AND THE
- 9 COUNTY PAY OUT SO MUCH ON LITIGATION, BECAUSE OUR RIGHTS ARE
- 10 SUPPRESSED UNDER THE FIRST AMENDMENT. OUR CIVIL RIGHTS ARE
- 11 DENIED BECAUSE OF A PROCESS THAT YOU, COUNSEL, MISS MARY, DENY
- 12 US, THE IMPORTANT ISSUES UNDER R-2 AND R-3 AND R-4 AND AS
- 13 BROUGHT OUT BY MR. KNABE AND MR. ANTONOVICH.

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15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME IS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 17 RUTH SARNOFF: RUTH SARNOFF. I THINK PREVENTATIVE STRATEGIES
- 18 ARE ALWAYS A WAY TO PULL COSTS DOWN. I THINK HAVING SPENT A
- 19 PERIOD OF TIME AFTER THE BREAKUP, AT THE TIME OF THE BREAKUP
- 20 OF THE TENT VILLAGE AROUND THE CITY COUNCIL, I WAS IN THE
- 21 COUNTY JAIL FOR THREE DAYS, AND I DIDN'T SLEEP THE WHOLE TIME
- 22 I WAS THERE. THE NOISE LEVEL IS INCREDIBLE. THE FOOD IS VERY,
- 23 VERY POOR. IT'S COLD. IT'S THROWN AT YOU. THE BLANKETS ARE
- 24 THIN. THERE WERE -- I THINK THERE WERE 17 WOMEN IN ONE CELL.
- 25 WE HAD NO WINDOWS TO THE OUTSIDE. THE CONDITIONS IN PRISONS

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- 1 ARE CONSIDERATION AND SOMETIMES EVEN A MODEST CHANGE OVERALL
- 2 IN THE SYSTEM AND ALSO THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF THE
- 3 PEOPLE WHO WORK THERE. AND SETTING SOME GROUND RULES FOR
- 4 BEHAVIOR WITHIN THE PRISON SYSTEM. I ALSO NOTICED THAT THERE
- 5 WAS QUITE A BIT THAT WAS, I BELIEVE, HOSPITALS, AND I DON'T
- 6 KNOW IF THAT'S WHERE PEOPLE ARE -- THEIR RIGHTS ARE VIOLATED -
- 7 FOR INSTANCE LIKE WHEN THEY TURN HOMELESS PEOPLE OUT ONTO
- 8 THE STREETS WITHOUT ANY FOLLOWUP FOR THEM AND JUST WITH
- 9 NOTHING BUT A BAND ON THEM AND A GOWN STILL ON THEM. I DON'T
- 10 KNOW IF THAT'S STILL GOING ON. BUT THAT'S THE KIND OF THING
- 11 THAT WHEN THEY ONCE IN A WHILE HAVE A FAMILY THAT STILL FINDS
- 12 THEM AND THAT KNOWS WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM, IT'S GOING TO BE
- 13 MORE SUITS. SO, I THINK THERE'S A LOT STILL TO LOOK AT.

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- 15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.
- 16 ARNOLD SACHS.

- 18 PRENTISS JENKINS: PRENTISS JENKINS, CITI LYFE NEWSLETTER,
- 19 PUBLISHER, ACTIVIST SINCE 1991. I UNDERSTAND WHERE THESE
- 20 LITIGATIONS COME FROM. I WAS THROWN IN THAT COUNTY JAIL IN '95
- 21 FOR PROTESTING. AND I WATCHED TWO MEN BEING BEATEN, ONE BY
- 22 CRIPS. THEY BEAT THEIR OWN GANG MEMBER. HE WAS ANOTHER CRIP.
- 23 THEY BEAT HIM. I DON'T KNOW. MAYBE THEY KILLED HIM. ALL I KNOW
- 24 IS WHEN THEY TOOK HIM OUT, HIS EYES ROLLED BACK IN HIS HEAD.
- 25 ALL I SAW WAS WHITES OF HIS EYES AND BLOOD RUNNING OVER HIS

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- 1 HEAD. AND THEY GRABBED HOLD OF THE BED AND STOMPED HIM ON TOP
- 2 OF HIS HEAD. I WATCHED THAT. I WITNESSED THAT MYSELF. AND
- 3 GUESS WHAT? AS I LOOKED OUT, ALL I SAW WAS THE DEPUTIES DOING
- 4 THIS RIGHT HERE, WATCHING THE SHOW. THEY DIDN'T STEP IN TO DO
- 5 ANYTHING UNTIL THE BLOODSHED WAS OVER. THEN THEY CAME IN, PUT
- 6 HIM ON A STRETCHER. AS HE WENT BY ME, HIS EYES WERE WHITE AND
- 7 BLOOD STREAMED ACROSS HIS HEAD. THEN I SAW IT IN WAYSIDE, TOO.
- 8 THEY PUT -- THE DEPUTIES PUT A GANG MEMBER FROM VAN NUYS IN
- 9 WITH LOS ANGELES GANG MEMBERS, SPANISH GANG MEMBERS. THEY BEAT
- 10 THE HELL OUT OF HIM. AND WHEN I LOOKED OUT, ALL I SAW THE
- 11 DEPUTIES DO WAS THAT RIGHT THERE. THEY WATCHED THE SHOW. THEY
- 12 DIDN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT. THEY JUST WATCHED THE SHOW. SO, I
- 13 UNDERSTAND WHERE THESE LAWSUITS COME FROM. THEY BEAT THESE MEN
- 14 WITHIN AN INCH OF THEIR LIFE OR THEY COULD HAVE BEAT THEM TO
- 15 DEATH. I STILL DON'T KNOW WHETHER THEY DID THAT OR NOT. THIS
- 16 IS A PAPER THAT I'VE WRITTEN FOR THE AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL
- 17 ASSOCIATION ON PERVERT COPS FEELING ON WOMEN, STALKING THEM,
- 18 PUTTING THEIR HANDS UP IN THEIR BREASTS. PUT MEN UP ON THE
- 19 WALL, GRABBING THEIR JUNK. YES, I KNOW WHERE THESE LAWSUITS
- 20 COME FROM, BECAUSE YOU DO HAVE PERVERT COPS. AND IF YOU THINK
- 21 THAT'S FUNNY, HOW'D YOU LIKE A COP PUT HIS HAND ON YOUR
- 22 BREAST?

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24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.



- 1 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. A
- 2 COUPLE THINGS. WE TALKED ABOUT A PRESENTATION OF LITIGATION
- 3 AND LIABILITY, BECAUSE YOU MENTIONED THE CORRECTIVE ACTION
- 4 PLAN THAT WAS FOR THE BOARD AND REALLY DIDN'T HEAR TOO MUCH
- 5 ABOUT ANY CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN. AS A MATTER OF FACT, THIS IS
- 6 A NEWS ARTICLE FROM 1/15/14, "MAJORITY OF CLAIMS STEM FROM
- 7 STREET DEPUTIES, EXCESSIVE FORCE SUITS LARGELY DUE TO STREET
- 8 DEPUTIES, NOT JAILERS," COUNTY-WIDE, THE NEWS WAS GOOD. OH,
- 9 THIS WAS, YEAH, WAS DOWN FROM \$115 MILLION IN 2011/12 TO 89
- 10 MILLION IN 2012. DOESN'T SOUND SO GOOD, REALLY. MEDICAL
- 11 MALPRACTICE, NOW THAT M.L.K. IS NO LONGER A TRAUMA HOSPITAL,
- 12 DOES THE COUNTY COVER THE TRAUMA HOSPITAL COSTS FOR THE
- 13 PRIVATE HOSPITALS? NO MENTION ABOUT CAMERAS. HOW MANY POLICE
- 14 DEPARTMENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY HAVE CAMERAS, OFFICER-WORN
- 15 CAMERAS NOW? AND YET THE 30,000 OFFICERS BETWEEN THE SHERIFF'S
- AND THE L.A.P.D. DON'T. THERE'S GOT TO BE MORE THAN 30,000
- 17 OFFICERS AROUND THE COUNTRY THAT HAVE CAMERAS. WHO NEGOTIATES
- 18 THAT PART WITH A.L.A.D.S. AND P.P.O.A.? THAT'S PROFESSIONAL
- 19 PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION. WHO DOES THAT NEGOTIATION? IS THAT
- 20 THE SHERIFF? NO, NO, THAT'S NOT RIGHT. THAT'S THE BOARD OF
- 21 SUPERVISORS. THAT'S THE FIVE OF YOU. SO, PEOPLE SHOULD
- 22 UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ARE THE ONES THAT GET INVOLVED IN THE
- 23 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS AND GIVE THE PEOPLE THE ROPE THAT THEY
- 24 NEED TO HANG THEMSELVES OR LET IT FLY. IT'S NOT THE SHERIFFS
- 25 AND IT'S NOT THE DEPARTMENT HEADS. IT'S YOU. YOU ARE THE

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- 1 NEGOTIATORS WITH THE UNIONS AND ALLOW THEM AND, SUPERVISOR
- 2 KNABE, YOU ARE RIGHT. YOU'RE THE ONES WHO SAT WHEN M.L.K. HAD
- 3 ALL THE KNUCKLEHEAD NURSES --

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME'S EXPIRED.

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- 7 ARNOLD SACHS: KILLER KING, HOW DID THEY GET THAT, SUPERVISOR?
- 8 WHY DON'T YOU EXPLAIN THAT?

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- 10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MEMBERS, THESE ITEMS ARE RECEIVE AND FILE.
- 11 THERE IS NO OBJECTION. SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. LET'S GO ON,
- 12 MEMBERS, NOW TO ITEM 20. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

- 14 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I THINK THERE'S SOME
- 15 FOLKS HERE FROM THE DEPARTMENT. YOU KNOW, THIS ISSUE GOES
- 16 BACK. AND I INTRODUCED A MOTION BACK IN 2008 AND THE BOARD
- 17 UNANIMOUSLY OPPOSED THE CITY'S USE OF THE VIA MARINA ALIGNMENT
- 18 THROUGH MARINA DEL REY BECAUSE OF THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON THE
- 19 CONSTRUCTION OF THIS PROJECT WILL HAVE ON THE RESIDENTS OF THE
- 20 MARINA, INCLUDING TRAFFIC AND NOISE. THE CITY HAD THE OPTION
- 21 AT THE TIME OF AN EQUALLY FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE ALIGNMENT ALONG
- 22 PACIFIC AVENUE THAT WOULD HAVE STAYED PRIMARILY -- ENTIRELY,
- 23 EXCUSE ME, WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY. BUT THE CITY
- 24 SELECTED THE ALIGNMENT THROUGH MARINA OVER THE COUNTY'S
- 25 OBJECTIONS. THIS IS ANOTHER ONE. WE DID LITIGATE THE MATTER,

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- 1 BUT WE DID NOT PREVAIL DUE TO A OUIRK IN THE STATE LAW THAT
- 2 ALLOWED THE CITY TO USE THE UNINCORPORATED AREA AGAINST THE
- 3 COUNTY'S OBJECTION AND WITHOUT OUR CONCURRENCE. WE WERE
- 4 FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO FIND A LEGISLATOR, THE CURRENT SPEAKER, A
- 5 NEW SPEAKER, SPEAKER RENDON. AND A.B.-1119, WHICH THE COUNTY
- 6 STRONGLY SUPPORTED, AND SO THIS INJUSTICE WILL NOT OCCUR AGAIN
- 7 IN THE FUTURE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HOWEVER,
- 8 OBVIOUSLY THE BILL'S NOT RETROACTIVE, AND THEREFORE WE'RE
- 9 FORCED TO CONSIDER THIS MATTER TODAY. SO, I BELIEVE THERE'S
- 10 SOMEONE HERE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS AND
- 11 PUBLIC WORKS TO ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS AS REGARDS TO THIS.

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13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 15 SUP. KNABE: EITHER ONE CAN GO FIRST, BUT WHAT IS THE TIMELINE
- 16 FOR THE CITY'S VENICE DUAL MAIN FORCE STRENGTH CONSTRUCTION
- 17 PROJECT?

- 19 DENNIS HUNTER: SUPERVISORS, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, DENNIS
- 20 HUNTER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.
- 21 THE LATEST INFORMATION WE HAVE FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IS
- 22 THEY PLAN TO ADVERTISE THE PROJECT THE FIRST OF FEBRUARY OF
- 23 THIS YEAR. THEIR GOAL IS TO AWARD A CONTRACT THE FIRST WEEK OF
- 24 AUGUST OF THIS YEAR AND START CONSTRUCTION IN FEBRUARY OF
- 25 2017.

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- 2 SUP. KNABE: SO, DO THE CONDITIONS AND PARTICULARLY THE
- 3 MITIGATIONS THAT WE ASKED FOR FOR THE PROJECT MINIMIZE THE
- 4 NOISE AND SAFETY TO THE RESIDENTS? ARE THERE LIMITS ON THE
- 5 HOURS OF CONSTRUCTION, AND, YOU KNOW, AND WE'VE REALLY BEEN
- 6 ASSURED THAT THE CITY WILL BE PROPERLY COMMUNICATING WITH OUR
- 7 CONSTITUENTS, PARTICULARLY MINE AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S DURING
- 8 THIS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT?

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- 10 DENNIS HUNTER: THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. THE CONDITIONS OF
- 11 APPROVAL AND THE MITIGATION MEASURES FOR THE COASTAL
- 12 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REQUIRES THAT A BASELINE NOISE STUDY BE
- 13 CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE AMBIENT NOISE LEVELS DURING THE DAY AND
- 14 DURING THE NIGHT. THE PROJECT CONDITIONS ALSO LIMIT
- 15 CONSTRUCTION FROM 8 A.M. TO 5 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY,
- 16 AND THEY PROHIBIT CONSTRUCTION ON SUNDAY. THE CONDITIONS GIVE
- 17 THE COUNTY THE AUTHORITY TO GRANT EXCEPTIONS TO THAT IN VERY
- 18 SPECIFIC CASES, BUT THE AUTHORITY IS COMPLETELY WITHIN THE
- 19 COUNTY'S DETERMINATION TO GRANT ANY VARIANCES.

- 21 SUP. KNABE: THAT PARTICULARLY COMES INTO PLAY, BECAUSE, AS I
- 22 UNDERSTAND IT, THEY'RE USING OUR PROPERTY TO STAGE A
- 23 CONSTRUCTION ON EITHER SIDE OF THE CHANNEL AND BALLONA CREEK.
- 24 SO, WHAT ASSURANCES DO WE HAVE AS IT RELATES TO THIS PROJECT
- 25 THAT PROBLEMS UNDERGROUND AND UNDER THE WATER, UNDER THE

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- 1 CREEK, WHAT MITIGATIONS ARE IN PLACE IF THE CITY ENCOUNTERS
- 2 PROBLEMS IN THIS PROJECT? COULD THERE POTENTIALLY BE FLOODING
- 3 IF THE WATER COMES BACK UP THROUGH THE JACKING PIT?

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- 5 DENNIS HUNTER: SUPERVISOR, ONE OF THE POSITIVE ASPECTS IS THAT
- 6 THIS ISN'T A LOW-BID CONTRACT. THE CITY HAS PREQUALIFIED SEVEN
- 7 CONTRACTORS. SO, WE BELIEVE THAT THE CONTRACTOR THAT
- 8 EVENTUALLY GETS THE AWARD WON'T BE LOOKING FOR CHANGE ORDERS
- 9 AT EVERY TURN IN THE ROAD. WE BELIEVE THAT ON THE INITIAL
- 10 EXCAVATION OF THE MICROTUNNELING PITS, THERE WILL BE SOME
- 11 GROUND WATER THAT WILL NEED TO BE TREATED AND PUMPED INTO THE
- 12 STORM DRAIN. BUT WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT THERE WILL BE ANY
- 13 INSTANCES WHERE WE GET ANY FLOODING OF THE BORING PITS.

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- 15 SUP. KNABE: BUT WHAT IF THAT HAPPENS? I MEAN, WHAT ASSURANCES
- 16 DO WE HAVE IN THE COUNTY SIDE OF THE THING HERE IF THEY
- 17 ENCOUNTER PROBLEMS THAT ARE BIGGER THAN WHAT YOU'RE
- 18 MENTIONING?

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- 20 **DENNIS HUNTER:** WE WOULD REQUIRE THAT THEY HAVE ADEQUATE PUMPS
- 21 ON HAND AS WELL AS CONTAINMENT FACILITIES TO BE ABLE TO PUMP
- 22 THE RISING GROUND WATER AND BE ABLE TO TREAT IT AND DISPOSE OF
- 23 IT WITHIN REGULATIONS.

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- 1 SUP. KNABE: OKAY, THANK YOU. OUESTION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL.
- 2 THESE ACTIONS THAT WE DESCRIBE HERE IN THE AGENDA ARE REQUIRED
- 3 TO SIMPLY GRANT EASEMENTS TO THE CITY. WHY MUST WE ACCEPT THE
- 4 E.I.R. AND APPROVE THE PROJECT? I MEAN, BECAUSE THE LANGUAGE
- 5 SEEMS SOMEWHAT MISLEADING, LIKE WE LOVE THE PROJECT. CAN THE
- 6 EASEMENTS BE GRANTED WITHOUT FINDINGS BLESSING THE PROJECT?

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- 8 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES, SUPERVISOR. WE'RE NOT BLESSING THE LARGER
- 9 PROJECT. ALL WE ARE DOING IS PROVIDING AN EASEMENT FOR PART OF
- 10 IT AND FINDING THAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT IS
- 11 SUFFICIENT AS TO THE IMPACTS PERTAINING TO THAT PORTION SOLELY
- 12 OF THE PROJECT WITH WHICH WE HAVE INVOLVEMENT, THE EASEMENT.
- 13 SO, THE LANGUAGE MAY SEEM MORE GRANDIOSE THAN IT'S MEANT TO.
- 14 WE'RE NOT BLESSING THE LARGER PROJECT.

- 16 SUP. KNABE: BECAUSE IT REALLY, I MEAN, IT'S SORT OF MISLEADING
- 17 LIKE WE'RE, YOU KNOW, WE'RE HOLDING HANDS IN THIS PROJECT.
- 18 MADAME CHAIR, YOU KNOW, AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL ASKED A OUESTION.
- 19 I'LL MOVE THE ITEM. I'M JUST NOT HAPPY WITH THE PROJECT OR THE
- 20 FACT THAT THE CITY FORCED THIS PROJECT ON THE UNINCORPORATED
- 21 COMMUNITY OF MARINA DEL REY. BUT WE NEED TO MOVE ON, AS WELL,
- 22 TOO. IT IS A SIGNIFICANT ISSUE, BUT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN NICE.
- 23 THEY HAD ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE IN THE CITY SIDE. AND, AGAIN, I
- 24 WANT TO GO ON RECORD IN THANKING SPEAKER RENDON FOR HIS

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- 1 WILLINGNESS TO CARRY THAT LEGISLATION SO OTHER PARTS OF THE
- 2 COUNTY WILL NOT BE IMPACTED LIKE THIS AGAIN BY OTHER CITIES.

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. SO, WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON
- 5 THIS ITEM.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** WE DO?

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9 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES. WE HAVE ARNOLD SACHS.

- 11 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
- 12 AND MY CONCERNS ACTUALLY, ESPECIALLY WITH THIS PORTER RANCH
- 13 ROUTINE, ARE THE CLARIFICATION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE AGENCY
- 14 VERSUS THE LEAD AGENCY AND THE DIFFERENCES THAT ARE PERTINENT
- 15 TO EACH ONE OF THOSE DEFINITIONS. MAYBE WE COULD GET COUNTY
- 16 COUNSEL TO TALK ABOUT THAT. I DOUBT IT, THOUGH, BECAUSE THAT'S
- 17 BEING ASKED ON THIS SIDE OF THE MICROPHONE. OR MAYBE THIS IS,
- 18 AS YOU SAY, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, PROBABLY PART OF THE
- 19 INFLUENCE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES? THE BLACK STAR OF LOS
- 20 ANGELES WHERE THEY CAN DO WITH AS THEY PLEASE ON COUNTY
- 21 PROPERTY. BUT THEN AGAIN ALSO, SUPERVISOR KNABE, I CERTAINLY
- 22 APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU BROUGHT THIS UP IN 2008. WAS THE
- 23 SPEAKER RENDON THE SPEAKER IN 2008? NO, I DON'T THINK SO. WAS
- 24 HE THE SPEAKER IN 2009, '10, '11, '12, '13? MAYBE HE WAS
- 25 SPEAKER IN '14. I DON'T THINK SO. SO, IN THE INTERIM BETWEEN

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- 1 2008 WHEN THIS SITUATION AROSE WITH THE STATE LEGISLATION THAT
- 2 ALLOWED THE CITY TO, I DON'T KNOW, SLIDE IN THERE SIDEWAYS AND
- 3 USE COUNTY PROPERTY, NO FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTERS TO THE STATE
- 4 LEGISLATURE? NO REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE STATE, WHAT'S IT
- 5 CALLED?

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7 SUP. KNABE: THERE WERE NUMEROUS LETTERS SENT.

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- 9 ARNOLD SACHS: LOBBYING COMMITTEES? I MEAN, YOU COULD HAVE DONE
- 10 ALL THIS. THERE MAY NOT HAVE BEEN ANY PROBLEM IN PORTER RANCH.
- 11 THEY WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DO ALL THOSE DEVELOPMENTS. WHO
- 12 KNOWS HOW MANY DEVELOPMENTS THEY CREATED IN THE SIX, SEVEN
- 13 YEARS THAT WERE APPROVED BY THE COUNTY AND ANNEXED TO THE CITY
- 14 JUST LIKE THAT. THAT'S WHAT SHOULD BE ANSWERED. CAN WE GET AN
- 15 ANSWER FROM COUNTY COUNSEL?

16

- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. TIME'S EXPIRED. RUTH SARNOFF
- 18 AND WAYNE FROM ENCINO. WE ALSO HAVE HERMAN HERMAN ON THIS
- 19 ITEM. GO AHEAD.

- 21 RUTH SARNOFF: MY CONCERN WHEN WE GET INTO WHAT'S CLOSE TO
- 22 WHAT'S LEFT OF THE WETLANDS OF CALIFORNIA, WE'VE DESTROYED
- 23 ABOUT 96 PERCENT OR SOMETHING OF ALL OF OUR WETLANDS HERE IN
- 24 CALIFORNIA OVER A FEW DECADES, IT'S -- I CAN ONLY -- I JUST
- 25 WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT WE LOST 650 OLD-GROWTH TREES IN ORDER

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- 1 TO PUT A MARINA. I'M NOT SURE WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT, BECAUSE
- 2 NOBODY CAN KEEP UP ON EVERYTHING, BUT IT IS DISTURBING THAT SO
- 3 MUCH COMES BEFORE DIFFERENT BODIES. AND IT'S REALLY HARD TO
- 4 FIGURE OUT. THERE'S NOT A NARRATIVE TO SAY THE PURPOSE OF THIS
- 5 PROJECT OR THE PURPOSE OF THIS ACTION OR THE PURPOSE OF THIS
- 6 PROPOSITION IS TO DO, TO CREATE, TRYING TO CREATE A MIX THERE
- 7 LIKE ON PORTER RANCH THERE? YOU KNOW, SOME OF THE PROBLEMS
- 8 SHOULD BE RED FLAGS, BECAUSE WE HAVE THE SAME KIND OF UNCARED
- 9 FOR WELLS ALL OVER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RIGHT THROUGH THE
- 10 MIDDLE OF LOS ANGELES AND AROUND AND WE HAVE THE WATER
- 11 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S VERY OLD. AND AT SOME POINT, THERE HAS
- 12 TO BE SOME DEVELOPMENT FOR JUST SIMPLE PEOPLE TO LIVE IN AND
- 13 SOME REJECTION OF, YOU KNOW, IT'S HARD TO THINK OF A PROJECT
- 14 THAT EVERYBODY DIDN'T LOVE THAT HAD A BIG PRICE TAG ON IT AND
- 15 WAS A DEVELOPER PROJECT.

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17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 19 HERMAN HERMAN: SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT INGRESS AND EGRESS
- 20 OPERATIONS OF THE MAINTENANCE OF A SEWER. BUT EARLIER I HEARD
- 21 AND IN THE PAST, JUST TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC, SAYING THAT THE
- 22 CITY AND COUNTY DON'T COLLABORATE. BUT BASED ON THIS DOCUMENT
- 23 ON ITEM 20, IT TALKS ABOUT "APPROVE THE GRANT OF THE ACCESS
- 24 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE CITY FOR \$105,000 AND
- 25 AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF BEACHES AND THE HARBORS TO SIGN THE

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- 1 AGREEMENT." SO, THERE HAS TO BE A CONFLICT WHEN IT COMES
- 2 BETWEEN MAKING AN OPERATION DECISION FOR THE PUBLIC. SOME
- 3 PEOPLE DON'T KNOW WHAT A COUNTY IS. SOME DON'T KNOW WHAT A
- 4 CITY IS. BUT YET THEY RESIDE IN A DISTRICT AREA, LIKE MYSELF
- 5 IN MISS HILDA SOLIS'S AREA, AND THAT OF MR. DON KNABE, WHO DO
- 6 A VERY GREAT JOB OF LISTENING TO OUR PROGRAMMATIC ACCESS
- 7 ISSUES. AND THEY ADDRESS THEM VERY WELL, BECAUSE ALONG THE
- 8 AREA OF MAINTENANCE, AT CURBS AND RAMPS AND GUTTERS AND
- 9 RESURFACING OF STREETS, MULTIPLE AGENCIES SOMETIMES FALL INTO
- 10 THAT RED AREA OF NONCOMPLIANCE OF THE AMERICANS WITH
- 11 DISABILITIES ACT TO IMPROVE THESE OPERATIONS. NOW, IN THIS
- 12 RECOMMENDATION, IT'S OTHERWISE DIFFERENT. AND SO I'M NOT GOING
- 13 TO GET INTO THE DETAIL, BECAUSE AS YOU HEARD, OUR OPPOSITION,
- 14 AND WE HEARD SOME FAVORABLE COMMENTS, THAT THE I THINK INGRESS
- 15 AND THE EGRESS OF THIS OPERATION ALL FALL UNDER THE CITY OF
- 16 LOS ANGELES AT VENICE DUAL FORCE, THE MAIN PROJECT TO
- 17 CONSIDER. SO, ONCE AGAIN, KEEP ADVISED THAT WE STILL NEED TO
- 18 APPROVE OF THIS GRANT.

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20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

- 22 WAYNE SPINDLER: YES, A CONTINUING TEARING APART AND DECIMATION
- 23 OF OUR LITTLE BEACH TOWNS. YES, WE HAVE TO HAVE SEWER LINES SO
- 24 WE CAN BUILD ALL THOSE BIG HOUSES, BIGGER AND BIGGER AND
- 25 BIGGER. WHY? BECAUSE WE NEED QUIMBY FEES. WHAT'S THAT? WELL,

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- 1 GOOGLE QUIMBY FEES, Q.U.I.M.B.Y. THAT'S WHAT L.A. CITY GETS.
- 2 AND WHEN YOU'RE UNINCORPORATED KNABE COUNTRY AND YOU BUILD,
- 3 THE COUNTY GETS THE QUIMBY FEES, DON'T THEY? AND ALL THEY WANT
- 4 TO DO IS JUST PUSH MORE DEVELOPMENT IN THAT LITTLE BEACH
- 5 COMMUNITY THAT STARTED ORIGINALLY ON ARBOR VITAE AND ON DOWN
- 6 THAT LITTLE BEACH AREA OF VENICE, WHICH WAS ONCE UPON A TIME A
- 7 SEPARATE CITY, BUT VENICE WAS FORCED TO BE ANNEXED TO THE CITY
- 8 OF LOS ANGELES. WHAT A DISGUSTING DAY THAT WAS, BECAUSE THEY
- 9 SHOULD HAVE STAYED THEIR OWN CITY. BUT THEY DON'T HAVE THE
- 10 BENEFIT OF HAVING THE CITY OF VENICE, WHICH THERE HAS TO BE A
- 11 CITY OF VENICE, BUT BECAUSE OF ALL THE MONEY AND THE POWER
- 12 DOWN HERE, THESE PEOPLE CANNOT HAVE THEIR OWN CITY. MALIBU
- 13 TOOK CARE OF THAT, BECAUSE ON MARCH 3, 1992, THEY SECEDED FROM
- 14 THE UNINCORPORATED AREA TO PROTECT THEMSELVES FROM
- 15 OVERDEVELOPMENT. VENICE BEACH DOES NOT HAVE THAT FORCE AND
- 16 EFFECT. SO, THEY HAVE TO SIT THERE AND KEEP WATCHING THOSE
- 17 LITTLE HOUSES GET TORN DOWN SO MORE AND MORE OF THOSE BIG,
- 18 UGLY, DISGUSTING, OVERSIZED, RICH, WHITE, SCUMBAG HOUSES CAN
- 19 BE BUILT HIGHER AND HIGHER AND HIGHER IN DENSITY AND YOU NEED
- 20 BIGGER AND BIGGER AND BIGGER SEWERS. THIS IS NOT FOR THE BEACH
- 21 ACCESS. THIS IS NOT FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ABBOTT KINNEY'S
- 22 VISION. THIS IS FOR DEVELOPERS, OF DEVELOPERS, BY DEVELOPERS.
- 23 AND IT STINKS.

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25 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE PRENTISS JENKINS.

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- 2 PRENTISS JENKINS: YOU KNOW, IF YOU WANT THIS PROJECT, BLESS
- 3 THIS PROJECT. [SPEAKING IN LATIN.] I SAW ONE OF THESE PROJECTS
- 4 ONE TIME. I WORKED ON ONE OF THESE PROJECTS, PLAYA VISTA. AND
- 5 I WAS DRIVING HOME ONE NIGHT AND THEY HAD JUST BUILT ONE OF
- 6 THE TRACKS. AND IT WAS STILL DARK OVER THERE. THEY HADN'T
- 7 BUILT ALL THE TRACKS. AND THE MOST HILARIOUS AND SAD THING
- 8 I'VE EVER SEEN, A LITTLE FOX RAN OUT IN FRONT OF MY CAR. I
- 9 STOPPED IN TIME. AND THE LITTLE FOX RAN ACROSS THE STREET AND
- 10 THEN IT RAN BACK ACROSS THE STREET AND RAN BACK ACROSS TO THE
- 11 OTHER SIDE. AND THERE WAS THIS HUGE BULLDOZER. AND I KNOW WHAT
- 12 THE LITTLE FOX WAS LOOKING FOR. THE FOX WAS LOOKING FOR ITS
- 13 HOME. THE BULLDOZER HAD BULLDOZED THIS FOX'S HOME. CAN YOU
- 14 IMAGINE IF YOU WENT HOME, CAME HOME, AND YOUR HOME WAS
- 15 BULLDOZED, WHAT YOU'D FEEL LIKE? THIS POOR LITTLE FOX COULDN'T
- 16 FIND HIS HOME. PROBABLY THEY BULLDOZED. IF IT HAD BABIES, IT
- 17 BULLDOZED THE BABIES. AND THERE'S THIS HUGE EARTH MOVER
- 18 STANDING ON A MOUND OF DIRT WHERE THE FOX USED TO HAVE ITS
- 19 HOUSE. I ACTUALLY SAW THAT. IT WAS THE SADDEST THING AND THE
- 20 MOST HILARIOUS THING I'D EVER SEEN, BECAUSE THE FOX JUST KEPT
- 21 GOING BACK AND FORTH LOOKING FOR ITS HOME. THAT SOUNDS LIKE
- 22 THIS IS WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN HERE. I MEAN, YOU GOT BIG
- 23 DEVELOPERS -- AND I UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, BETWEEN 1960 AND
- 24 2015, WHITE AMERICA HAD ALMOST 100 MILLION CHILDREN. YOU GOT

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- 1 TO HAVE SOMEWHERE FOR THEM TO LIVE. BLACK AMERICA HAD LIKE 17
- 2 MILLION.

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4 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC, SIR. THANK YOU.

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6 PRENTISS JENKINS: IT IS TOPIC. YES, IT IS.

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8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SIR, PLEASE STAY ON SUBJECT.

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- 10 PRENTISS JENKINS: WAYNE SAID IT'S TOPIC. SO, WHEN YOU'RE
- 11 DEALING WITH DEVELOPERS LIKE THIS, YOU'LL ALWAYS UNDERSTAND
- 12 THAT SOMEBODY'S GOING TO GET HURT IN THIS, WHETHER THEY'RE
- 13 HUMAN OR WHETHER THEY'RE ANIMALS. I PULLED THAT ONE OUT OF THE
- 14 HAT.

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- 16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MEMBERS, THIS ITEM HAS BEEN MOVED BY
- 17 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SECONDED. THERE'S NO OBJECTION. SUCH WILL
- 18 BE THE ORDER. OUR NEXT ITEM, MEMBERS, IS ITEM NO. 6 BY
- 19 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

- 21 SUP. ANTONOVICH: MADAME CHAIR, WE RECENTLY HAD ASKED FOR AN
- 22 ACTION RELATIVE TO A DEVELOPMENT THAT WAS TAKING PLACE NEXT TO
- 23 THE ALISO GAS LEAK IN THE PORTER RANCH AREA. AND THERE WAS
- 24 ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT THAT IS ON THE OTHER SIDE THAT IS MOVING
- 25 FORWARD. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD TO THE MOTION BEFORE US THAT

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- 1 WE RECEIVE A REPORT BACK FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
- 2 PLANNING ON HOW THE COUNTY HALTS THAT 314 UNIT DEERLAKE RANCH
- 3 DEVELOPMENT NEAR THE ALISO CANYON GAS LEAK UNTIL A THOROUGH
- 4 INVESTIGATION WILL TAKE PLACE AS TO WHAT CAUSED THE LEAK AND
- 5 WHAT SAFEGUARDS WOULD BE PUT IN PLACE TO PREVENT A FAILURE OF
- 6 THIS MAGNITUDE AGAIN. IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE TO BUILD
- 7 MORE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THIS SITE.
- 8 SO I ASK L.A.F.C.O. TO BLOCK THE ANNEXATION OF COUNTY PROPERTY
- 9 TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE 188-
- 10 UNIT HIDDEN CREEK DEVELOPMENT AND ASK COUNTY AGENCIES TO LOOK
- 11 INTO REDESIGNING OR RE-DESIGNATING THE LAND AS PERMANENT OPEN
- 12 SPACE, WITH THE SANTA MONICA CONSERVANCY AGENCY PERHAPS HAVING
- 13 AN INTEREST IN THAT SITE. SO, JUST ADDING THIS OTHER,
- 14 DEERLAKE, TO THAT.

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- 16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. SO, SUPERVISOR, YOU'RE ASKING
- 17 ALSO IN ADDITION TO THIS MOTION TO REPORT BACK THE ITEM?
- 18 BEFORE WE TAKE THIS UP FOR A VOTE, WE DO HAVE WITNESSES? ERIC
- 19 PREVEN. WAYNE FROM ENCINO. RUTH SARNOFF. ARNOLD SACHS. HERMAN
- HERMAN.

- 22 ERIC PREVEN: YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT.
- 23 I'LL BE EXTREMELY BRIEF AND DOUBLE DOWN ON WHAT I SAID
- 24 EARLIER. I'M VERY SYMPATHETIC TO THE RESIDENTS OF THIS
- 25 COMMUNITY THAT OBVIOUSLY THIS GAS LEAK HAS GONE ON, PEOPLE ARE

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- 1 UPSET AND IT'S UNDERSTANDABLE. AND I KNOW THERE'S BEEN A GREAT
- 2 EFFORT TO RELOCATE THEM. AND I KNOW THERE'S GOING TO BE A
- 3 LITTLE BIT OF HELL TO PAY. BUT I AM REALLY BECOMING CONCERNED
- 4 ABOUT THE LEGAL FEEDING FRENZY THAT SEEMS TO BE UNDERWAY. I
- 5 KNOW THAT MIKE FEUER'S INVOLVED. I KNOW THAT THIS COUNTY
- 6 COUNSEL IS INVOLVED. AND I UNDERSTAND WHY WE WANT TO PUT
- 7 PRESSURE ON THE SO CAL GAS GROUP TO MAKE THINGS RIGHT, BUT
- 8 THIS IS GETTING, MY OPINION, I MEAN, WE WANT TO STOP THE LEAK
- 9 IS THE PRIORITY. BUT SOMEONE NEEDS TO MONITOR THE LEGAL
- 10 BEHAVIOR. AND I DON'T KNOW WHO WOULD DO THAT. I MEAN,
- 11 CERTAINLY NOT THE LAWYERS. SO, YOU KNOW, PLEASE TAKE SOME
- 12 ACTION, IF YOU POSSIBLY CAN, ON THIS. I MEAN, THIS IS
- 13 WORRISOME.

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15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.

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- 17 RUTH SARNOFF: IF I UNDERSTOOD YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU SAID
- 18 THAT THERE'S ANOTHER DEPARTMENT NEAR THE PORTER RANCH
- 19 COMMUNITY THERE IN ALISO CANYON?

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- 21 SUP. KNABE: I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING. I THINK THAT WAS SUPERVISOR
- 22 ANTONOVICH.

- 24 RUTH SARNOFF: OH, MAYBE IT WAS ANTONOVICH THAT SAID IT. I
- 25 THINK THAT THAT WHOLE AREA SHOULD GET A HOLD ON IT. I THINK

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- 1 THAT'S A GOOD THING TO AT LEAST CONSIDER BEFORE MOVING AHEAD
- 2 ON ANYTHING LIKE THAT. AND IF YOU'RE ONE OF THE STAMPS THAT'S
- 3 GOT TO GO ON IT, I'D SAY CATCH YOUR BREATH FOR A WEEK OR TWO
- 4 AND LOOK AT IT. I WANTED TO NOTE THAT I DON'T KNOW HOW
- 5 CAREFULLY YOU'RE ALL LOOKING AND FOLLOWING THE PORTER RANCH. I
- 6 ASSUME YOU'RE READING ALL THE ARTICLES IN THE L.A. TIMES THAT
- 7 THERE HASN'T BEEN A DAY THAT IT HASN'T BEEN A MAJOR STORY AND
- 8 THERE ARE A LOT OF MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT THE WHOLE THING OF IT
- 9 NOT CAUSING ANY LONG-TERM HARM TO THE PEOPLE IN THE PORTER
- 10 RANCH AREA. THAT'S SIMPLY NOT TRUE. THERE'S A LOT THAT'S BEEN
- 11 WRITTEN ON THE EFFECTS OF THE KINDS OF POLLUTION THAT ARE
- 12 COMING OFF THERE. AND IT AFFECTS THE BRAIN. IT AFFECTS PEOPLE
- 13 IN LONG TERM IN TERMS OF LONG-TERM -- I WISH BERNIE WAS STILL
- 14 ALIVE. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE AROUND THE GAS ISSUES IN PLAYA VISTA
- 15 AND IN BELMONT AND AT BEVERLY HILLS HIGH SCHOOL WITH THE BIG
- 16 PRETTY TOWER UP THERE. AND I'VE BEEN ON A NUMBER OF THESE
- 17 SITES. I KNOW WHAT HYDROGEN SULFIDE SMELLS LIKE AND IT'S LIKE
- 18 ROTTEN EGGS AND WHEN YOU'RE SMELLING IT YOU'RE GETTING POISON.
- 20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.
- 22 HERMAN HERMAN: SO, WE'RE GLAD TO KNOW THAT THIS AREA IS NOW
- 23 DEEMED DESTROYED. THIS MORNING IN THE NEWS IT TALKED ABOUT NOW
- 24 THE IMPACTS ON THE ANIMALS. TWO WEEKS AGO, I WAS JUST SPEAKING
- 25 ABOUT PUTTING A CAP ON THE GAS. AND WE FINALLY CAME TO AN

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- 1 AGREEMENT. EVERYONE KNOWS THAT THE GAS COMPANY, THE DOUCHE
- 2 BAGS CORRUPTED, LIED, DECEIVED ALL OF YOU TO BELIEVE THAT
- 3 THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG ABOUT THE GAS SPILL. AND YET WE HAD TO
- 4 RELOCATE L.A.U.S.D., WE HAD TO RELOCATE FAMILIES OVER IN THE
- 5 THOUSANDS. BUT YET NOW THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS TO WILDLIFE, THE
- 6 LITTLE ANIMALS, LIKE PAUL KREKORIAN AND PAUL KORETZ WHO LIVE
- 7 IN THAT WHITE, BEAUTIFUL COMMUNITY OF THE VALLEY.
- 8 INCIDENTALLY, THOUGH, IT'S TOO LATE FOR MITCH ENGLANDER TO
- 9 STEP INTO THE PICTURE, BECAUSE WE ALL KNOW THAT HE WAS ONLY
- 10 THERE FOR THE PURPOSE OF GETTING RECOGNITION FOR RUNNING FOR
- 11 SUPERVISOR..

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- 13 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR, PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC. PLEASE STAY
- 14 ON TOPIC, SIR. THANK YOU.

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- 16 HERMAN HERMAN: ..OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT, PORTER RANCH. BUT THE
- 17 SAFEGUARDS BEHIND MR. ENGLANDER'S ACTIONS ARE TOO LATE.

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19 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC.

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- 21 HERMAN HERMAN: THEY'RE TOO LATE TO STOP. IT WAS TOO LATE TO
- 22 INTERVENE. VOTE NO FOR MITCH ENGLANDER FOR COUNTY BOARD
- 23 SUPERVISOR. IT'S TOO LATE. WE THE PEOPLE HAVE INITIATED THE
- 24 STOP. WE THE PEOPLE OF PORTER RANCH..

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1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SIR, YOU'RE NOT ON SUBJECT.

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- 3 HERMAN HERMAN: ..AND I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT. I'M GLAD TO HEAR
- 4 THAT MISS HILDA SOLIS HAS BROUGHT ORDER AND THE DEMISE OF THE
- 5 GAS COMPANY IN PORTER RANCH. THANK YOU.

- 7 WAYNE SPINDLER: YES, WE NEED ORDER. YES, WE NEED TO BE
- 8 CONTROLLED. BUT THE GAS COMPANY NEEDED TO BE CONTROLLED. BUT
- 9 THEY CONTROL YOU WITH THE CAMPAIGN DONATIONS AND UNREGULATED
- 10 WELLS. AND THEY JUST PUMP THAT GAS IN THERE AND PUT THAT
- 11 LITTLE ADDITIVE IN THERE, BECAUSE YOU KNOW NATURAL GAS IS
- 12 ODORLESS AND VISIONLESS EXCEPT FOR THE FACT THEY PUT THAT
- 13 TOXIC STUFF IN THERE SO YOU COULD SMELL IT WHEN IT LEAKS. I
- 14 DROVE UP THERE. AND THEY HAD A K.F.I. SHOW UP THERE AND THEY
- 15 HAD MOVE THE SCHOOLS AND THE STUDENTS OUT OF THERE IN THE
- 16 LITTLE SCHOOL THAT'S UP THERE IN THE MOUNTAINS OFF OF TAMPA.
- 17 AND YOU COULD SMELL IT IN THE AIR. IT'S OUT THERE. THAT CLOUD
- 18 AND THAT IMAGE CLOUD WHERE THE PLANES ARE AFRAID TO FLY OVER
- 19 IT BECAUSE IT WILL BLOW UP, IT'S REAL. AND WHAT DID YOU GUYS
- 20 DO ABOUT IT? WELL, MIKE ANTONOVICH'S STAFF WAS UP THERE BACK
- 21 IN OCTOBER LAST YEAR WHEN THEY STARTED DRILLING FOR THAT
- 22 OBSTRUCTION. THEY CALLED IT AN OBSTRUCTION. HIS STAFF WAS
- 23 THERE. READ THE "DAILY NEWS." THE "DAILY NEWS" HAD TWO STORIES
- 24 ABOUT IT. SO, NOW THEY TRIED TO UNBLOCK IT AND THEY WENT,
- 25 OOPS, WE BROKE IT. AND NOW ALL THE GAS LEAKS OUT, BECAUSE,

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- 1 SEE, IT'S PHYSICS. THIS IS A HARD THING TO UNDERSTAND. WHEN
- 2 SOMETHING IS CONTAINED AND THERE'S A HOLE IN THE CONTAINER, IT
- 3 GETS OUT. YES, I KNOW THAT'S HARD TO UNDERSTAND. BUT THAT'S
- 4 WHAT HAPPENS. AND NOW WE WANT TO TURN IT ALL INTO A SANTA
- 5 MONICA MOUNTAIN CONSERVANCY PROPERTY. NOW WE'RE NOT GOING TO
- 6 BUILD ANY MORE HOMES UP THERE. WE'RE GOING TO LET WILD ANIMALS
- 7 ROAM FREE TO BREATHE THE GASES. YES, WE'LL PUT LAMBS UP THERE.
- 8 RELOCATE LAMBS. [BLEATS.]

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- 10 WAYNE SPINDLER: AND THEN THEY'LL BE ROAMING AROUND LIKE I DO
- 11 HERE, MY LITTLE IMITATION OF THE LAMB. AND THEN ALL THOSE DEAD
- 12 ANIMALS WILL BE ROLLING OVER CHOKED, AND WE'LL STILL BE LIABLE
- 13 TO THOSE HOMEOWNERS.

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- 15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I ALSO WANT TO CALL UP PRENTISS JENKINS,
- 16 ARNOLD SACHS.

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- 18 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
- 19 AND, AGAIN, I'D BE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT THE GAS COMING FROM
- 20 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAN ANYWHERE ELSE, AS FAR AS THIS
- 21 PROBLEM IS CONCERNED.

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23 PRENTISS JENKINS: BE GOOD.

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- 1 ARNOLD SACHS: WE TALKED ABOUT THIS. IT'S A TWO-MILE LONG
- 2 RESERVOIR OF GAS THAT WAS AN OIL FIELD THAT WAS TURNED INTO A
- 3 GAS RESERVOIR IN THE LATE '60S EARLY '70S. SO WHAT HAPPENED
- 4 BETWEEN THE '70S, THE '80S, AND THE '90S AND THE 2,000S THAT
- 5 CAUSED THIS PROBLEM? WELL, THE INFRASTRUCTURE FAILED. BUT IN
- 6 THE INTERIM, ALL THESE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS WERE OKAY. WHY
- 7 WOULD YOU WANT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS? THE GAS LEAK WILL
- 8 BE FIXED. THIS IS JUST LIKE THE DEEP WATER HORIZON WELL THAT
- 9 BLEW IN THE GULF OF MEXICO AND TOOK THEM THREE MONTHS, FOUR
- 10 MONTHS TO FIX IT AND PEOPLE SUFFERED. BUT THESE PEOPLE MOVED
- 11 IN THIS AREA AND THEY DIDN'T ASK ABOUT IT? THAT DOESN'T MAKE
- 12 SENSE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU WOULD HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THIS
- 13 BEING A GAS RESERVOIR. AND ZEV AND DON AND SLEEPY JIMMY HAHN
- 14 WOULD HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THIS BEING A GAS RESERVOIR. AND YET,
- 15 YOU WENT AHEAD AND YOU APPROVED ALL THESE DEVELOPMENTS,
- 16 BECAUSE THIS IS ABOUT LAND USE AND ABOUT MAKING MONEY THROUGH
- 17 PROFITING OFF OF PROPERTY. AND NOBODY TALKS ABOUT THAT. SHUT
- 18 DOWN THE GAS WELLS. SHUT DOWN THIS PROJECT. SO WHAT ABOUT THE
- 19 OTHER 8 MILLION PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE COUNTY? WHERE WOULD
- 20 THEY GET THE GAS FROM, THE NATURAL GAS THEY USED TO HEAT? AND
- 21 WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER SITES? WHAT ABOUT PLAYA DEL REY? WHAT
- 22 ABOUT GOLETA? WHAT ABOUT THE FOURTH SITE THAT HASN'T BEEN
- 23 NAMED? WHAT ABOUT THOSE SITES? WHAT IS THE OVERSIGHT GOING ON
- 24 THERE? AREN'T YOU CONCERNED ABOUT THOSE AREAS?

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1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE. NEXT WITNESS.

- 3 PRENTISS JENKINS: CITI LYFE NEWSLETTER, ACTIVIST SINCE 1991.
- 4 YOU KNOW, THEY KEEP CALLING THAT THING A LEAK. BUT DO YOU KNOW
- 5 WHAT? THAT'S NOT A LEAK. I KNOW WHAT A LEAK IS. I TOOK A LEAK
- 6 THIS MORNING. SO I KNOW WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE. THAT IS A GEYSER.
- 7 THAT'S WHAT THAT IS. YOU KEEP CALLING IT A LEAK. GAS COMPANY
- 8 SAYS IT'S A LEAK. A LEAK WOULD NOT CAUSE NOSEBLEEDS FROM THEIR
- 9 CHILDREN. AND YOU KNOW THEY SAY IN 1955, ONE OF THE ENGINEERS
- 10 SAID WE GOT TO GO PUT A CAP ON THAT THING AND REDIRECT THE
- 11 GAS. THEY TOOK A LOOK AT THAT THING, AND GUESS WHAT? THEY SAID
- 12 SOMEBODY CAME BACK AND SAID, HEY, IT'S ALL RUSTED. AND THEN
- 13 THEY SAID, OKAY, FORGET ABOUT IT. YOU KNOW, HEY, FORGET ABOUT
- 14 IT. IT'S A FREAKING GEYSER. IT DOESN'T MATTER ANYMORE. WHAT
- 15 THEY SAID IN 1955, LONG BEFORE THAT BLACK MAN COULD GET
- 16 ELECTED HERE AND I COULD COME IN HERE, IN '55 I COULDN'T COME
- 17 IN HERE. THEY'D STOP ME AT THE DOOR. BLACK MAN COULDN'T COME
- 18 IN. BUT IN 1955, THEY TRIED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT, AND
- 19 GUESS WHAT? SOMEBODY SAID IT'S RUSTED DOWN THERE. AND THEN ONE
- 20 BIG, WHITE EXECUTIVE SAID DON'T DO ANYTHING. IGNORE IT, AND IT
- 21 WILL GO AWAY. GUESS WHAT? IT DIDN'T GO AWAY. AS A GEYSER
- 22 SPEWING OUT, I'VE SEEN THE INFRARED VIDEO OF IT. THAT THING IS
- 23 HORRIBLE. THAT'S A GEYSER, JUST LIKE IN THE NATIONAL PARKS.
- 24 YOSEMITE. THERE'S GAS COMING OUT OF THE GROUND, AND NO ONE'S
- 25 DOING ANYTHING ABOUT IT. THEY SAY THEY'RE DOING SOMETHING

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- 1 ABOUT IT. BUT THEY TRIED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT IN 1955 AND
- 2 SOMEBODY SAID IGNORE IT AND IT WILL GO AWAY. WELL, WE KNOW IT
- 3 DID NOT GO AWAY. AND IT'S NOT GOING TO GO AWAY. AND THEY SAY
- 4 THEY'LL BE FINISHED IN, WHAT, FEBRUARY? WE'LL SEE IF THAT
- 5 THING DOESN'T BLOW UP. IF IT BLOWS UP, IT'S GOING TO KILL A
- 6 LOT OF PEOPLE. JUST REMEMBER, MR. JENKINS TOLD YOU THAT.

- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME'S EXPIRED. MEMBERS, THIS HAS BEEN
- 9 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED WITH THE NOTICE OF A
- 10 REPORT BACK, AS INDICATED EARLIER. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
- 11 MOVED. MEMBERS, I'M GOING TO TURN TO ITEM 7, AND I WANTED TO
- 12 BRING THIS UP BECAUSE I WANTED TO ADD A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO
- 13 THE GAS STORAGE LEGISLATION. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
- 14 ANTONOVICH FOR HIS EFFORTS. AND ALSO FOR THE COUNTY WORKING ON
- 15 ISSUES THAT COME ABOUT IN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, AS WELL.
- 16 I KNOW OUR LEGISLATIVE TEAM IS WORKING HARD TO HELP KEEP US ON
- 17 TRACK WITH RESPECT TO LAND USE AND REGULATORY AUTHORITY OVER
- 18 GAS STORAGE, OIL REFINERIES AND GAS AND OIL EXTRACTION. MY
- 19 AMENDMENT SIMPLY JUST ADDS TO EXPAND OIL REFINERIES AND GAS
- 20 AND OIL EXTRACTION. MY STAFF HAS THE AMENDMENT BEFORE YOU ON
- 21 ITEMS LINE 1 AND 2. WELL, THIS IS ATTACHED TO ITEM 7, YES.
- 22 THAT'S BEFORE US. SO, IF THAT AMENDMENT IS ACCEPTED. NO I
- 23 BELIEVE FOR THE -- YES. WE'RE ACTUALLY EXPANDING. SO, IT SAYS
- 24 ON ITEM NUMBER 1, "THEREFORE I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
- 25 SUPERVISORS AMEND THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE AGENDA TO SUPPORT

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- 1 LEGISLATION THAT STRENGTHENS THE STATE'S OVERSIGHT AND
- 2 REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO GAS STORAGE." GOT IT? OKAY. WITHOUT
- 3 OBJECTION, THEN. IT'S BEEN MOVED. OH, WE HAVE SPEAKERS ON THIS
- 4 ITEM. HERMAN HERMAN. ARNOLD SACHS. AND WAYNE FROM ENCINO.

- 6 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. ARNOLD
- 7 SACHS. AND AGAIN WE DEAL WITH PORTER RANCH AND HOW THE
- 8 SITUATION CAME TO BE. THIS IS A STORY FROM 11/6/15. GOVERNOR
- 9 BROWN DEFENDS OIL GAS DRILLING INOUIRIES. IT SEEMS THAT JERRY
- 10 BROWN MADE A REQUEST FOR HISTORY AND GEOLOGY OF HIS FAMILY
- 11 RANCH IN COLUSA COUNTY WHEN HE ASKED STATE OFFICIALS ABOUT THE
- 12 POTENTIAL FOR MINING AND OIL DRILLING ON THE PROPERTY. SO,
- 13 THERE'S SOME BACKGROUND? I MEAN, WITH THE GOVERNOR? THAT WAS
- 14 BEFORE HE CAME DOWN HERE TO SEE THE LEAK BEFORE HE WAS
- 15 CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT WAS ON HIS PROPERTY. AND AGAIN, IT COMES
- 16 BACK TO THE OVERSIGHT AND THE INFORMATION THAT'S GRANTED AND
- 17 GIVEN OUT AND WHO YOU DEAL WITH. AND THESE COMMUNITIES THAT
- 18 ARE DEVELOPED AROUND THIS AREA AND OTHER FACILITIES THAT STORE
- 19 GAS USUALLY HAVE THE OVERSIGHT OF A HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, I
- 20 WOULD BELIEVE. AND AS WE HEARD BEFORE IN SOME OF THE OTHER
- 21 ITEMS A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO REGARDING HOMEOWNERS'
- 22 ASSOCIATIONS, THEY HAVE NO OVERSIGHT. THEY ARE ENTITIES UNTO
- 23 THEMSELVES, DON'T ANSWER TO ANY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, MAKE
- 24 THEIR OWN REQUIREMENTS. THE INTERESTING THING ABOUT
- 25 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS IS THEY CHANGE THEIR FOCUS. AND

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- 1 THERE'S SOME HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS THAT ARE CREATED BEFORE
- 2 THERE'S EVEN ANY HOMES BUILT. SO WHO OWNS -- WHO'S MEMBERS OF
- 3 THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION WHERE YOU HAVE THE DEVELOPER AND
- 4 THE BANKER WHO WANT TO PROTECT THEIR INTERESTS, AND THEY SET
- 5 UP THE RULES AND REGULATIONS AND PEOPLE MOVE IN REGARDING
- 6 THOSE HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS REGULATIONS.

8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. HERMAN HERMAN.

10 HERMAN HERMAN: SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT OPEN STORAGE. BUT FOR

- 11 THE RECORD, I'D LIKE MARY, OUR COUNSEL, TO UNDERSTAND THAT
- 12 BASED ON THE AGENDA ITEM, THAT'S WORD FOR WORD, BETA VERBATIM,
- 13 THAT SAYS "RECOMMENDATION SUBMITTED BY THE SUPERVISORS
- 14 ANTONOVICH: AMEND THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE AGENDA TO SUPPORT
- 15 LEGISLATION THAT STRENGTHENS THE STATE'S OVERSIGHT AND
- 16 REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO GAS STORAGE FACILITIES." SIMILAR TO
- 17 WHAT WE DISCUSSED EARLIER, MARY, COUNSEL. AND IT TALKS ABOUT
- 18 WHAT PROVIDES THE COUNTY GREATER LAND-USE AUTHORITY AND
- 19 REGULATORY AUTHORITY OVER GAS STORAGE FACILITIES. NOW,
- 20 COUNSEL, AM I ON TOPIC? PLEASE, CORRECT ME. OH, THANK YOU.
- 21 THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. BUT MRS. CHAIR SOLIS, IF HER PUBLIC
- 22 OUTCRY FOR OVER A MONTH NOW THAT PEOPLE ARE NOT SUPPORTING THE
- 23 GAS COMPANY AT THIS SITE OR ANY SITE THAT STORES GAS THAT
- 24 ENDANGERS THE PUBLIC AND THE PUBLIC'S WELL BEING, YOU MUST
- 25 TAKE CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF, WHAT WILL WE SAY, DEDICATION INTO

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- 1 THESE PROBLEMS, SO THAT FUTURE REGULATIONS AND SUPPORT BY
- 2 LEGISLATION WILL ENSURE THAT THE OVERSIGHT DOESN'T GET
- 3 BLINDFOLDED BY THOSE WHO SAY THAT THE TEMPORARY STORAGE FOR
- 4 FACILITIES IS MORE THAN ENOUGH, IT SUFFICES EVERYONE INVOLVED.
- 5 HOWEVER, WHEN IT BECOMES A PUBLIC DANGER, COUNSEL WILL
- 6 INTERVENE.

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8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SPEAKER, WE ALSO HAVE PRENTISS JENKINS.

- 10 WAYNE SPINDLER: IT'S AMAZING HOW NOW YOU WANT TO REGULATE GAS
- 11 STORAGE FACILITIES. [LAUGHING.] YES, IT'S SO FUNNY, ISN'T IT,
- 12 THAT NOW YOU WANT TO TAKE THESE BIG SHOT CAMPAIGN DONORS AND
- 13 YOU WANT TO PUT A LITTLE BIT OF CONTROL ON THEM. WELL, THAT'S
- 14 LIKE THE HORSES LEAVING THE BARN. NOW YOU'RE GOING TO CLOSE
- 15 THE OLD DOOR AND WE'RE ALL GOING TO BE OKAY. HOW COME? BACK
- 16 LAST YEAR, WHY WAS THE "DAILY NEWS" UP THERE IN THE COLD
- 17 LOOKING AT THAT BOOTS & COOTS FROM HALLIBURTON CORPORATION
- 18 WITH THAT BIG PIECE OF EQUIPMENT THAT THEY IMPORTED OUT HERE
- 19 TO TRY TO QUIETLY UNCLOG THAT DRAINAGE, UNCLOG THAT HOLE IN
- 20 THAT WELL? AND SOMETHING HAPPENED, BECAUSE MIKE ANTONOVICH'S
- 21 STAFF WAS RIGHT THERE OVERLOOKING THEIR SHOULDERS BACK LAST
- 22 YEAR THAT THEY JUST NEEDED TO UNPLUG THE BLOCKAGE THAT FROZE
- 23 IN THE PIPE. THEN SOMETHING HAPPENED. THEN EVERYTHING WENT TO
- 24 HELL. WHAT HAPPENED? WELL, SEE, THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF
- 25 APPEALS AT THE END OF THE YEAR TOOK UP THE SUBJECT, BECAUSE A

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- 1 LOT OF YOU GUYS, WHAT YOU DO WITH THESE CASES IS THAT YOU
- 2 CONFER WITH COUNSEL. AND THEN YOU SHIELD IT AS ATTORNEY/CLIENT
- 3 PRIVILEGE. THE NINTH CIRCUIT JUST PUBLISHED A DECISION BEFORE
- 4 THE GRAND JURY THAT SAYS ALL OF YOUR NOTES, ALL OF YOUR
- 5 DISCUSSIONS INVOLVING ANYTHING INVOLVING THE BUSINESS IS NOT
- 6 SHIELDED BY ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE IF IT FURTHERS A
- 7 CONSPIRACY. SO, WHAT IS A CONSPIRACY? A CONSPIRACY TO COVER UP
- 8 WHAT? WELL, TO COVER UP THIS. SOMETHING'S WRONG BECAUSE
- 9 SOMETHING HAPPENED.

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11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SIR, YOU'RE OFF THE TOPIC HERE.

13 WAYNE SPINDLER: OH, YES. WELL, I'M WELL ON THE TOPIC, BECAUSE

- 14 WHAT'S HAPPENING IS IS THAT SOMETHING HAPPENED UP THERE IN
- 15 PORTER RANCH. AND THEY'RE GOING TO FIND OUT IN THE GRAND JURY.

17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME EXPIRED. NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.

19 PRENTISS JENKINS: PRENTISS JENKINS, ACTIVIST SINCE 1991, CITI

- 20 LYFE NEWSLETTER. IT SAYS HERE THAT YOU WANT TO STRENGTHEN THE
- 21 STATE'S OVERSIGHT AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO GAS STORAGE
- 22 FACILITIES. SO, THERE IS AN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. IT JUST
- 23 WASN'T STRENGTHENED. AND THE OUESTION IS: HOW ARE YOU GOING
- 24 STRENGTHEN IT? SEE, WHEN YOU SAY YOU'RE GOING TO STRENGTHEN
- 25 THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, THERE WAS AN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. AND

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- 1 GUESS WHAT? IT WASN'T STRENGTHENED. THAT GAS COMPANY, THIS
- 2 GEYSER, NOT LEAK, BUT THIS GEYSER HAPPENED ANYWAY, EVEN WITH
- 3 OVERSIGHT. SO THERE ACTUALLY IS NO OVERSIGHT OF THESE BIG,
- 4 WHITE CORPORATIONS. THEY COULD DO WHATEVER THEY WANT TO DO. I
- 5 COULD SPEW GAS OUT IN RICH, WHITE COMMUNITIES? WHEN THEY CAN
- 6 DO THAT, YOU CAN DO IT IN RICH, WHITE COMMUNITIES. I MEAN,
- 7 IT'S A SAD STATE OF AFFAIRS IN AMERICA WHEN YOU CAN POISON
- 8 RICH, WHITE COMMUNITIES. I MEAN, YOU CAN GET AWAY WITH THAT IN
- 9 BLACK AND LATINO COMMUNITIES. BUT WITH RICH, WHITE
- 10 COMMUNITIES? YOU'RE GETTING AWAY WITH THAT NOW? THAT'S
- 11 OUTRAGEOUS. AND SO, THEY'RE TRYING TO STRENGTHEN IT, RIGHT?
- 12 BUT WHAT YOU REALLY HAVE, FOLKS, IS YOUR OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
- 13 IS, GET THAT? ANYBODY SEE THAT? IF SOMEONE LET A TIGER LOOSE
- 14 IN HERE, THE FIRST THING WE ALL DO IS FREEZE. AND THEN
- 15 EVERYBODY HEAD FOR THE DOOR. BUT I BROUGHT A PAPER TIGER. SEE
- 16 THAT? THAT'S WHAT YOUR OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE IS? IT'S A PAPER
- 17 TIGER. ROAR! LOOK AT THAT. OH, MY GOD. EVERYBODY'S SCARED TO
- 18 DEATH OF THIS, AREN'T THEY? SEE THIS PAPER TIGER?

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20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: STAY ON TOPIC, SIR.

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- 22 PRENTISS JENKINS: THAT IS ON TOPIC, MA'AM. YOU'RE OFF TOPIC
- 23 NOW.

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25 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOU'RE OFF TOPIC, SIR.

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- 2 PRENTISS JENKINS: NO, I'M ON TOPIC. THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE IS
- 3 A PAPER TIGER. [GAVEL.] PLEASE DON'T DO THAT WHILE I'M DOING
- 4 THIS.

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6 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR, THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

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8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOUR CONDUCT IS DISRUPTIVE.

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- 10 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: IF YOUR CONDUCT DOES NOT CHANGE, WE
- 11 WILL NEED TO REMOVE YOU FROM THE BUILDING. SIR?

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- 13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US AS
- 14 AMENDED. ITEM NO. 7 MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED WITHOUT
- 15 OBJECTION. OKAY, MEMBERS, I'M GOING TO GO BACK TO ONE ITEM,
- 16 BECAUSE WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT, AND THAT'S AGENDA ITEM NO. 30.
- 17 AND WE HAVE SEVERAL WITNESSES I'D LIKE TO CALL UP. WE HAVE
- 18 ERIN RIVERS. JOSEPH MAIZLISH. TAMMY MARASHLIAN, YVETTE
- 19 BARCENA, STEPHANIE POWELL. AND PARDON ME IF I PRONOUNCED YOUR
- 20 LAST NAME INCORRECTLY.

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22 ERIN RIVERS: HELLO , MY NAME IS ERIN RIVERS..

- 24 SPEAKER: ITEM 30. ..AND I WORK FOR THE SPECIAL SERVICE GROUP'S
- 25 TRAUMA RECOVERY CENTER IN LOS ANGELES. WE ARE A DIVISION OF

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- 1 THE HOMELESS OUTREACH PROGRAM, INTEGRATED CARE SYSTEM. AND WE
- 2 PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE TREATMENT TO VICTIMS AND WITNESSES OF
- 3 CRIME. I'M THE SYSTEM NAVIGATOR THERE, SO ONE OF MY
- 4 RESPONSIBILITIES IS TO PROVIDE LINKAGE SUPPORT FOR OUR CLIENTS
- 5 WITH THE RESOURCES WE HAVE AVAILABLE. I WANT TO GIVE YOU AN
- 6 EXAMPLE. IMAGINE A PREGNANT WOMAN COMING TO OUR OFFICES
- 7 SHARING THAT SHE FLED HER ABUSER AND SHE'S IN NEED OF A SAFE
- 8 PLACE TO STAY. I CONNECT HER WITH OUR POTENTIAL COLLABORATIVE
- 9 PARTNERS, A HOUSING RESOURCE FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS AND
- 10 SHE HAS TO ENDURE A LENGTHY SCREENING ASSESSMENT OF 10 OR MORE
- 11 MINUTES ONLY FOR THEM TO SAY TO HER THAT THERE IS NO SPACE
- 12 AVAILABLE FOR HER. THEY DO PROVIDE HER WITH 10 OTHER RESOURCES
- 13 IN WHICH SHE HAS TO TELL HER STORY OVER AND OVER AGAIN,
- 14 RELIVING THE TRAUMA AND BEING REJECTED OVER AND OVER AGAIN.
- 15 NOT ONLY IS THIS RETRAUMATIZING, BUT MOST OF THE CLIENTS
- 16 ACTUALLY END UP RETURNING BACK TO THEIR ABUSER IN FEAR OF
- 17 BEING HOMELESS ON THE STREETS OR IN FEAR OF BEING REVICTIMIZED
- 18 IN A GENERAL POPULATION SHELTER THAT'S NOT SPECIFIED FOR D.V.
- 19 VICTIMS. 30 PERCENT OF THE CLIENTS THAT WE SERVICE ARE D.V.
- 20 VICTIMS, AND IT'S HEARTBREAKING AND DISCOURAGING WHEN I AS A
- 21 SERVICE PROVIDER AM UNABLE TO LINK THE CLIENT TO THE
- 22 APPROPRIATE RESOURCE FOR THEIR IMMEDIATE NEED AND SAFETY. I'M
- 23 PLEADING FOR HELP IN THIS SITUATION AS FAR AS VICTIM SERVICES
- 24 ARE CONCERNED SO THAT THE VICTIMS OF THESE CRIMES CAN ONE DAY
- 25 BE ABLE TO LIVE TO SAY THAT THEY'RE SURVIVORS.

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2 SUP. KNABE: YOU SUPPORT THE MOTION?

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4 ERIN RIVERS: YES, I DO.

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6 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU.

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8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.

- 10 STEPHANIE POWELL: HELLO, MY NAME IS DR. STEPHANIE POWELL. I'M
- 11 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF JOURNEY OUT, AND WE ASSIST WOMEN WHO
- 12 HAVE BEEN HUMAN SEX TRAFFICKED. I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST SAY THAT
- 13 THE VICTIMIZATION OF HUMAN SEX TRAFFICKING REALLY DOES NOT
- 14 HAVE AN EXPIRATION DATE, MEANING THE AGE OF 18. SO THERE IS A
- 15 DEFINITE NEED FOR HOUSING, ESPECIALLY FOR ADULTS. IN TERMS OF
- 16 ADULTS AND HOUSING, THERE'S ONLY TWO TO THREE ORGANIZATIONS
- 17 THAT ACTUALLY HAVE RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS, AND A LOT OF THEM
- 18 ONLY HAVE THE ABILITY TO HELP SIX VICTIMS AT A TIME.
- 19 NATIONWIDE, STUDIES ALSO REFLECT THE SAME, IN THAT THERE IS A
- 20 LACK OF HOUSING. VICTIMS OF HUMAN SEX TRAFFICKING ARE VERY
- 21 UNIQUE IN THEIR NEEDS, AND SO THEREFORE THEY NEED TO BE HOUSED
- 22 IN THEIR OWN FACILITIES. AND THE REASON FOR THIS IS BECAUSE OF
- 23 THE STIGMA THAT'S ASSOCIATED WITH THIS AND THE FACT THAT HUMAN
- 24 SEX TRAFFICKING VICTIMS NEED TO FEEL COMFORTABLE DURING THEIR
- 25 TREATMENT. THE REASON WHY THERE IS SUCH A NEED FOR RESIDENTIAL

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- 1 TREATMENT PROGRAMS IS WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING AT SAFETY HAS TO BE
- 2 FIRST, BECAUSE IT'S ONLY WHEN THEY FEEL SAFE DO THEY HAVE THE
- 3 ABILITY TO -- DOES ONE HAVE THE ABILITY TO FACILITATE FURTHER
- 4 TREATMENT FOR THEM. SO, THEREFORE WRAP-AROUND PROGRAMS ARE
- 5 NEEDED DURING RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMMING, WRAP-AROUND TREATMENT,
- 6 SOCIAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES AS WELL AS JOBS.

8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AND YOU'RE IN SUPPORT?

10 STEPHANIE POWELL: ABSOLUTELY, YES.

12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. NEXT WITNESS.

14 IVETTE BARCENA: HI, MY NAME IS IVETTE. I'M HERE REPRESENTING

- 15 THE COALITION TO ABOLISH SLAVERY AND TRAFFICKING, ALSO KNOWN
- 16 AS C.A.S.T. C.A.S.T. WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST
- 17 GRATITUDE TO ALL OF L.A. COUNTY'S BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
- 18 YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT AGAINST THE BATTLE OF HUMAN
- 19 TRAFFICKING, IN PARTICULAR, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
- 20 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS. I FEEL STRONGLY THAT IT IS OUR SOCIAL
- 21 RESPONSIBILITY TO HELP VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING REBUILD
- 22 THEIR LIVES. WITHOUT MORE SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM HOUSING
- 23 SUPPORT, HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS ARE AT RISK OF RE-
- 24 EXPLOITATION. HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS HAVE OFTEN BEEN
- 25 TERRIBLY ABUSED AND SUFFER FROM STOCKHOLM SYNDROME, POST-

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- 1 TRAUMATIC STRESS AND OTHER TRAUMA. TO PUT THEM ON THEIR PATH
- 2 TO SELF-SUSTAINABILITY AND ADVOCACY, THEY FIRST NEED TO ACCESS
- 3 IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY SERVICES SUCH AS HOUSING. IN MY EXPERIENCE
- 4 AS AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE MANAGER, MANY OF THE CALLS THAT WE
- 5 RECEIVE IN OUR 24-HOUR NATIONAL HOTLINE ARE FROM COMMUNITY
- 6 SERVICE PARTNERS, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND POTENTIAL VICTIMS. BUT
- 7 SOMETIMES WHEN WE GET THOSE CALLS, THEY'RE ALL REFERRING TO
- 8 IMMEDIATE HOUSING. AND C.A.S.T DOESN'T HAVE -- WE DO HAVE
- 9 TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM, BUT IT'S FULL. WE ONLY HAVE
- 10 ABOUT EIGHT OR TEN BEDS AND WE HAVE OTHER PARTNERS CALLING US
- 11 REQUESTING HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND WE DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER
- 12 PLACE TO PUT THEM AND WE REACH OUT AND, YOU KNOW, WE RELY ON
- 13 OUR EXTENSIVE NETWORK OF SERVICE PROVIDERS WHO CAN PROVIDE
- 14 HOUSING SUPPORT. HOWEVER, IT'S BEEN VERY DIFFICULT TO SECURE
- 15 SAFE SHELTER FOR SURVIVORS WHEN OUR OWN TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
- 16 IS VERY FULL. WE DO RELY ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS, AND
- 17 OUR LAST ALTERNATIVE IS HOMELESS SHELTERS, WHICH IS THE WORST
- 18 PLACE TO HOUSE SOMEONE WHO HAS ALL THIS AMOUNT OF TRAUMA THAT
- 19 THEY DO. SOMETIMES THOSE HOMELESS SHELTERS ARE FULL AND HAVE
- 20 CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS OR JUST CERTAIN PROCEDURES TO ACCEPT
- 21 SOMEONE. IF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS END UP IN HOMELESS
- 22 SHELTERS, THEY WILL BE REVICTIMIZED. WE NEED SHORT AND LONG-
- 23 TERM HOUSING SPECIFICALLY FOCUSED ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING
- 24 SURVIVORS. THERE ARE TIMES WHEN I HAVE TO PUT SOMEONE IN A
- 25 HOTEL AT 2 A.M. THANK YOU.

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- 2 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT
- 3 WITNESS?

- 5 TAMMY MARASHLIAN: HELLO, MY NAME IS TAMMY MARASHLIAN, AND I'M
- 6 A CASE MANAGER WITH THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS' PROGRAM
- 7 AND INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF LOS ANGELES. WE'RE A NONPROFIT
- 8 ORGANIZATION, AND OUR DIVISION IS BASED OUT OF GLENDALE. I'M
- 9 HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF FOUR CASE MANAGERS WHO WORK DAILY
- 10 WITH INTERNATIONAL SURVIVORS OF LABOR AND SEX TRAFFICKING. WE
- 11 PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES, WHICH MEANS WE
- 12 WORK CLOSELY WITH SURVIVORS TO HELP THEM TRANSITION OUT OF
- 13 SEVERE TRAFFICKING SITUATIONS AND INTO INDEPENDENT LIVES. WE
- 14 HELP SURVIVORS START OVER BY GAINING LEGAL IMMIGRATION STATUS,
- 15 LEARNING ENGLISH, TAKING PART IN JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS,
- 16 ACCESSING MENTAL HEALTH, AMONGST A LOT OF OTHER NEEDS. IN THE
- 17 LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, WE HAVE SERVED SOME 200 SURVIVORS AND
- 18 THEIR FAMILIES, INCLUDING WOMEN, MEN AND CHILDREN. THE
- 19 FAMILIES WE WORK WITH COME TO THIS COUNTRY SEEKING NEW
- 20 EMPLOYMENT AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES BUT ARE HORRIBLY
- 21 EXPLOITED IN THE PROCESS, FREQUENTLY LEFT FEARFUL,
- 22 TRAUMATIZED, AND ALONE. EASILY THE BIGGEST ISSUE WE FACE IS A
- 23 FINDING OF AFFORDABLE, SAFE, TRANSITIONAL AND LONG-TERM
- 24 HOUSING FOR SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING. THERE IS A NEAR
- 25 SCARCITY OF SHELTERS THAT ARE ONLY FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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- 1 SURVIVORS. SEX TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS DON'T ALWAYS QUALIFY TO
- 2 STAY IN SHELTERS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS AS
- 3 INTERNATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING SURVIVORS HAVE VERY UNIQUE
- 4 NEEDS AND MAY NOT HAVE THE LANGUAGE CAPACITY OR IMMIGRATION
- 5 STATUS TO ACCESS THE SERVICES. OUR MALE SURVIVORS FIND THE
- 6 HARDEST TIME ACCESSING SHELTERS AS IT IS RARE TO FIND SHELTERS
- 7 FOR MALE VICTIMS OF CRIME, ESPECIALLY IF THEY ARE SURVIVORS OF
- 8 SEX TRAFFICKING. ASIDE FROM SHELTERS, HUMAN TRAFFICKING
- 9 SURVIVORS WHO ARE HOMELESS QUALIFY FOR THE ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME
- 10 AND LIFESAVING MOTEL VOUCHER PROGRAM THROUGH THE COUNTY. ONCE
- 11 THAT RESOURCE IS USED UP, WE SPEND MANY HOURS DRIVING ALL OVER
- 12 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH OUR CLIENTS TO FIND APPROPRIATE
- 13 HOUSING. CALLS TO LANDLORDS, ONLINE SEARCHES AND NETWORKING
- 14 AMONGST EACH OTHER ARE COMMON PRACTICE WITHIN OUR OFFICE. SO
- 15 MANY FACTORS GO INTO FINDING THE RIGHT PLACE FOR VICTIMS,
- 16 RIGHT PLACE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME TO LIVE IN. IT HAS TO BE
- 17 CLEAN, CLOSE TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, AND, OF COURSE, SAFE.
- 18 IF THEY LIVE WITH ROOMMATES, THEY HAVE TO FEEL COMFORTABLE
- 19 BEING WITH STRANGERS, A TALL ORDER FOR ANYONE WHO HAS FELT
- 20 THEIR TRUST VIOLATED. THANK YOU.

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- 22 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT
- 23 WITNESS.

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- 1 JOSEPH MAIZLISH: YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR SOLIS, AND
- 2 SUPERVISORS, STAFF AND PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE. MY NAME IS JOE
- 3 MAIZLISH. I'M A MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST WITH A SPECIALTY
- 4 IN HELPING PEOPLE FOLLOWING A CRISIS AND TRAUMA. AND I'M
- 5 ALWAYS GRATIFIED TO SEE THE VICTIMS SUBJECT BROUGHT UP AND THE
- 6 REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION WITH VICTIMS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
- 7 DID IN THIS CASE TO ADD THAT EXPLICIT AMENDMENT, AS HE HAS IN
- 8 THE PAST AS I REMEMBER IN JULY ON THE MC ARTHUR GRANT
- 9 APPLICATION PREPARATION. AS A PERSON SERVING VICTIMS, WHENEVER
- 10 THE VICTIM HAS A CHOICE OF EXPRESSING THEIR NEEDS OR THOSE WHO
- 11 ARE WORKING WITH THEM HAVE A CHANCE TO TALK ABOUT THEIR NEEDS,
- 12 WHAT THEY'VE BEEN THROUGH, EVEN THEIR POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS,
- 13 SOME OF WHICH I WOULD AGREE WITH AND SOME NOT, THAT'S PART OF
- 14 THEIR RECOVERY AND THEIR REEMPOWERMENT AND THAT'S VERY
- 15 IMPORTANT. AND I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT SUPPORTED AND PEOPLE GIVEN
- 16 TIME. AND IT'S AN HONOR TO FOLLOW THESE SPEAKERS THAT JUST
- 17 SPOKE. MY ONE CONCERN IS THAT WE NOT BE SELECTIVE IN WHICH
- 18 VICTIMS WE WANT TO HEAR FROM AND WHICH VICTIMS WE DON'T. AND
- 19 SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN THERE'S CONSULTATION WITH
- 20 VICTIMS' ORGANIZATIONS, ALL OF THEM HAVE THEIR CHANCE. EVEN
- 21 THOSE WHOSE POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS YOU OR I MIGHT NOT AGREE
- 22 WITH, THEIR VOICE IS IMPORTANT. I'VE WRITTEN YOUR STAFF
- 23 ASSISTANTS ON THIS SUBJECT AND GIVEN SOME EXAMPLES OF
- 24 CONFLICTING POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT CAME FROM VICTIMS
- 25 TESTIFYING HERE DURING JUST THIS LAST YEAR. SO, THAT'S MY

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- 1 CONCERN ABOUT THAT, AND I'LL DO WHAT I CAN TO SEE THAT
- 2 ORGANIZATIONS THAT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN REPRESENTED IN THE PAST
- 3 GET REPRESENTED. JUST THE OTHER THING, A SENTENCE COMES BACK
- 4 TO ME FROM YOUR ADDRESS UPON ASSUMING THE CHAIR, SOLIS, WE
- 5 MUST MATCH THE SCALE OF THE SOLUTION TO THE SCOPE OF THE
- 6 PROBLEM, YOU SAID. AND THIS IS ONE OF THE MANY CASES WHERE
- 7 THAT APPEARS. AND I CERTAINLY WANT TO HELP YOU FOLKS GET THE
- 8 ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE THAT'S NEEDED TO MAKE UP FOR WHAT
- 9 THE POVERTY PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY IN OUR COUNTY, CANNOT DO FOR
- 10 THEMSELVES WITH SERVICES. THEY HAVE TO HAVE MORE REVENUE.
- 11 THANK YOU.

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- 13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] WE HAVE
- 14 STEPHANIE POWELL. SHE CAME. SHE DID SPEAK, YES. I'M SORRY.
- 15 JANE BOUFFARD. LAWANDA HOPKINS. PRENTISS JENKINS. WAYNE FROM
- 16 ENCINO. HERMAN HERMAN. ERIC PREVEN. AND DR. GENEVIEVE
- 17 CLAVREUL. AND LASTLY, RUTH SARNOFF.

- 19 JANE BOUFFARD: GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M JANE BOUFFARD. I'M WITH
- 20 JUSTICE FOR HOMICIDE VICTIMS, AND I WANT TO EXPRESS JUSTICE
- 21 FOR HOMICIDE VICTIMS' SUPPORT FOR ITEM 30 WITH THE TRANSFER OF
- 22 FUNDS FROM THE UNPLANNED RESTITUTION FUND TO THE DISTRICT
- 23 ATTORNEY'S VICTIMS SERVICES TO HELP VICTIMS. IT'S A LOT OF
- 24 MONEY THAT WILL PROVIDE A LOT OF SERVICES AND HELP TO VICTIMS
- 25 DOWN THE ROAD. THE OTHER THING IS THAT I ALSO SUPPORT

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- 1 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S INITIATIVE FOR INCREASED HOUSING FOR
- 2 HOMICIDE VICTIMS. WHEN A HOMICIDE OCCURS WITHIN A RESIDENCE,
- 3 THE POLICE AGENCIES OFTENTIMES WILL DO LOTS OF CUTTING UP
- 4 WALLS AND TAKING THINGS IN AS EVIDENCE. AND THE HOUSE BECOMES
- 5 UNINHABITABLE MANY TIMES FOR A PERIOD OF TIME. AND A
- 6 CONSTRUCTION COMPANY HAS TO COME IN AND MAKE REPAIRS AND DO A
- 7 LOT OF CLEANUP. AND, YOU KNOW, THAT'S NOT REALLY AT A TIME
- 8 WHEN A FAMILY HAS TO BE MOVING THEIR CHILDREN TO A PLACE WHERE
- 9 THEY HAVE TO CHANGE SCHOOLS AND DO A LOT OF THAT KIND OF
- 10 THING. IT'S REAL IMPORTANT THAT THEY TRY TO GET A HOME,
- 11 HOUSING IN THE SAME AREA THAT THEY LIVED IN SO THAT PART OF
- 12 THEIR LIFE CAN CONTINUE, BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING THROUGH A LOT
- 13 OF TRAUMA AT THAT TIME. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS?

- 17 LAWANDA HAWKINS: HI, MY NAME IS LAWANDA HAWKINS. I'M WITH
- 18 JUSTICE FOR MURDERED CHILDREN. I LIVE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT.
- 19 I'D LIKE TO SAY HI TO MY COUNTY SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
- 20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. AND I ALSO SUPPORT 30, WHERE WE'RE
- 21 ASKING THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER TO TRANSFER THE UNCLAIMED
- 22 RESTITUTION TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. THAT MONEY IS
- 23 DESPERATELY NEEDED. AS BEING A PARENT OF A MURDERED VICTIM, WE
- 24 DON'T GET THE SUPPORT. ALSO, I SUPPORT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S
- 25 RECOMMENDATION IN REGARDS TO HOUSING. JUST LIKE MY PARTNER

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- 1 JANE EXPLAINED, A LOT OF TIMES, THE MURDER OCCURS AT YOUR
- 2 HOME. AND AT THAT TIME, THESE PEOPLE NEED EMERGENCY HOUSING.
- 3 AND THERE'S NO HOUSING FOR FAMILIES OF A MURDERED VICTIM,
- 4 EMERGENCY HOUSING. WE DON'T HAVE IT. SOMEHOW WE'VE BEEN
- 5 OVERLOOKED. AND NO ONE REALIZES THAT THEY NEED IT MORE THAN
- 6 ANYONE. SO, I AM IN SUPPORT OF 30, AGENDA ITEM 30.

8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

10 PRENTISS JENKINS: PRENTISS JENKINS, ACTIVIST SINCE 1991, CITI

- 11 LYFE NEWSLETTER. I AM ALSO IN SUPPORT OF USING THESE FUNDS FOR
- 12 VICTIMS OF CRIME. THE THING ABOUT VICTIMS OF CRIMES IS THAT
- 13 VICTIMS OF CRIMES DON'T KNOW WHERE TO TURN TO. CRIME HAPPENS.
- 14 IT HAPPENS TO THEM AND IT'S OVER. COPS MAY ARREST SOMEONE, BUT
- 15 WHAT ABOUT THE PERSON WHO'S GOT HEAD TRAUMA FROM BEING KNOCKED
- 16 IN THE HEAD, THE GRANDMOTHER THAT GOT KNOCKED IN THE HEAD AND
- 17 THEY TOOK HER \$20 AS SHE WAS GOING TO THE STORE? THESE ARE THE
- 18 PEOPLE THAT NEED THIS MONEY RIGHT HERE. SEE, I GREW UP IN A
- 19 NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE THERE WERE SOME VERY UNSAVORY CHARACTERS.
- 20 AND THESE CHARACTERS, AS A CHILD, WOULD TALK TO ME AND TELL ME
- 21 TO STEER ME THE RIGHT WAY. DON'T STEER ME IN THEIR WAY. I'M
- 22 TALKING ABOUT MURDERERS. THESE GUYS GOT -- THEY HAD MAYBE FIVE
- 23 MURDERS UNDER THEIR BELTS. AND THEY MADE SURE THAT I CERTAINLY
- 24 WOULD NOT GO THEIR WAY. AND CAN YOU IMAGINE THAT THESE PEOPLE
- 25 -- THESE WERE DOPE DEALERS, SO THEY WERE JUST KILLING OTHER

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- 1 DOPE DEALERS, TRYING TO TAKE THEIR SHARE OF THE DOPE TRADE.
- 2 BUT WHEN VICTIMS OF CRIME ARE VICTIMIZED, THOSE VICTIMS NEED
- 3 HELP. THEY NEED FINANCIAL HELP. AND THIS SHOULDN'T BE
- 4 \$426,000. THIS SHOULD BE \$426 MILLION. THERE ARE A LOT OF
- 5 VICTIMS OF CRIMES OUT THERE, INNOCENT PEOPLE GETTING KNOCKED
- 6 UPSIDE THE HEAD OR GET SHOT JUST WALKING DOWN THE STREET. YOU
- 7 WALK DOWN THE STREET AND YOU GET SHOT. YOU'RE NOT EVEN A GANG
- 8 MEMBER. CAN YOU IMAGINE? YOU'RE JUST WALKING DOWN THE STREET,
- 9 SOMEBODY SHOOTS YOU AND KILLS YOU OR SHOOTS YOU AND WOUNDS
- 10 YOU? HEY, I WOULD HOPE THIS FUND WOULD BE HERE FOR ME IF THAT
- 11 EVER HAPPENED TO ME.

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13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT WITNESS.

- 15 ERIC PREVEN: YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, A COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
- 16 DISTRICT 3. AND I'M ALSO SUPPORTIVE OF DOING ANYTHING WE CAN
- 17 FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME, OBVIOUSLY. I LOOKED AT THE ITEM, AND
- 18 IT'S \$426,000 THAT HAS BEEN IN THIS UNCLAIMED RESTITUTION FUND
- 19 AND THEN THERE MAY BE EVEN A LITTLE BIT MORE THAT I THINK
- 20 WE'RE GOING TO HOLD OFF. THAT WAS PART OF THE REVISION. ONE
- 21 QUESTION IS: WHY WOULD ANY RESTITUTION BE UNCLAIMED? IT'S A
- 22 RHETORICAL QUESTION. BUT ARE WE DOING SUFFICIENT OUTREACH TO
- 23 PEOPLE WHO WOULD BE ENTITLED TO IT? IT JUST SEEMS LIKE AN
- 24 ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY TO PILE UP. IT COULD BE THE TRAGEDY
- 25 OF THE PERSON DIDN'T MAKE IT AND IT GOES TO THEIR -- I DON'T

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- 1 KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT. BUT IT IS A QUESTION THAT COMES UP.
- 2 AND THEN TO GIVE IT BACK TO THE D.A.? WELL I GUESS THE
- 3 ASSUMPTION THERE IS THAT THE D.A. IS ON THE UP AND UP AND WILL
- 4 APPROPRIATELY DISBURSE THE MONEY BACK TO VICTIMS IN SOME WAY.
- 5 THE D.A.'S GOING TO BE MEETING WITH HER TEAM, HER TOP LEGAL
- 6 TEAM THIS -- NOT THIS BUT NEXT WEEK UP IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
- 7 OR SOMEWHERE IN CALIFORNIA, THEY HAVEN'T DISCLOSED WHERE, TO
- 8 TALK ABOUT LEGAL STRATEGY. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT WE
- 9 SHOULD DO ON THE DAY THAT WE ARE ROLLING OUT THIS ENORMOUS
- 10 LEGAL BILL THAT WAS THE BIGGEST WE'VE SEEN IN MANY, MANY
- 11 YEARS, MAYBE EVER, MAYBE WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT SOME PROGRAM
- 12 THAT WE CAN PUT TOGETHER FOR THE VICTIMS OF THOSE UNBELIEVABLE
- 13 TRAGEDIES BEYOND THEIR LEGAL FEES THAT WERE ENDURED IN THE
- 14 FACE OF THE COLOR OF AUTHORITY, THAT WE HAD TO SETTLE UP AND
- 15 IN MANY WAYS THOSE SETTLEMENTS WERE NOT EVEN CLOSE TO THE
- 16 DAMAGE, BECAUSE IT'S A LEGAL GAME. IT'S A LEGAL GAME BETWEEN
- 17 LAWYERS FIGHTING ABOUT, WELL, YOU KNOW, YOU STICK A FLASHLIGHT
- 18 IN THE MAN'S AREA, WHAT'S THE PRICE ON THAT? \$150,000? \$280?
- 19 AND SOMETIMES THE TRAUMA GOES ON AND ON AND ON. AND I JUST
- 20 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL GROUPS THAT HAVE GENERATED VICTIMS,
- 21 SADLY, ACROSS ALL SPECTRUMS OF CRIME ARE CONSIDERED TO BE
- 22 RECIPIENTS OF THIS MONEY. SO, THANK YOU.

24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT WITNESS.

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- 1 WAYNE SPINDLER: HOW CAN WE GIVE MONEY TO THAT DISTRICT
- 2 ATTORNEY JACKIE LACEY? FRONT PAGE OF THE L.A. TIMES, JACKIE
- 3 LACEY'S NOT DOING ANYTHING. HOW ABOUT WHEN SHE REVIEWED, FOR
- 4 EXAMPLE, THE BEATING ON THE 10 FREEWAY, THAT POOR BLACK LADY
- 5 ON CAMERA BEING BEATEN BY A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY? NO CHARGES
- 6 FILED. HOO HOO, HOO! YOU CAN BEAT A WOMAN ON THE FREEWAY IF
- 7 SHE'S BLACK AND YOU'RE A WHITE COP AND NO CHARGES GET FILED BY
- 8 AUNT THOMASINA, JACKIE LACEY. NOW YOU WANT TO GIVE THAT
- 9 MONSTER \$426,000 IN CASH TO DO WHATEVER SHE WANTS WITH FOR
- 10 "COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES TO CRIME VICTIMS." WELL, WE HAVE SOME
- 11 CRIME VICTIMS. DON'T WE? VICTIMS OF L.A.P.D. SHOOTINGS THAT
- 12 ARE NOT SEEKING JUSTICE. JACKIE LACEY SHOULD SPEND THE
- 13 \$426,000 FOR THOSE WHITE OFFICERS THAT CONTINUE TO SHOOT
- 14 PEOPLE LIKE REDEL JONES. HOW ABOUT THAT? OR BROTHER AFRICA ON
- 15 CAMERA. HE REACHED FOR MY GUN. NO. HE WAS ON THE GROUND
- 16 GETTING THE HELL BEAT OUT OF HIM AND HE PUT HIS HAND UP AS A
- 17 PHYSICAL REACTION AND GETS SHOT BY L.A.P.D. SO, JACKIE LACEY
- 18 IS THE FRIEND OF THE CRIMINALS THAT COMMIT THE CRIMES. SHE IS
- 19 THE ENEMY OF CRIME VICTIMS. SHE IS THE ENEMY OF ANYBODY WHO IS
- 20 A VICTIM OF POLICE ABUSE. AND YOU WANT TO FEED THIS MONSTER
- 21 \$426,000 TO USE FOR ANYTHING SHE DEEMS AS COMPREHENSIVE
- 22 SERVICES TO CRIME VICTIMS. WHAT A DISGUSTING DISGRACE YOU
- 23 PEOPLE ARE. AND THE ONLY AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERE ON THE PANEL IS
- 24 NOT HERE, BECAUSE HE DOESN'T WANT TO BE HERE. AND I SEE THAT
- 25 LITTLE GAVEL IN YOUR LITTLE HAND OVER THERE BECAUSE YOU KNOW

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- 1 I'M RIGHT THAT THAT MAN IS AN UNCLE TOM AND THIS IS AN UNCLE
- 2 TOM MOTION.

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- 4 HERMAN HERMAN: POOR UNCLE TOM. UNFORTUNATELY, HE HAD TO STEP
- 5 OUT. PROBABLY HE'S AT THE RAM CONVENTION. BUT ANYWAYS,
- 6 REGARDING THE ABUSE OF PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITIES, I CAN
- 7 RELATE. A PARTICULAR JEWISH MAN BY THE NAME OF PAUL KORETZ
- 8 TOOK AN ACTION OF ASSAULT TOWARDS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS AT A
- 9 PODIUM IN 2014, AND YET THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WAIVED
- 10 IN NOTHING. THAT'S RIGHT. NO ONE STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE TO
- 11 DEFEND THE PUBLIC --

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13 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR, THIS ISN'T ON TOPIC.

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- 15 HERMAN HERMAN: WELL, IT'S TALKING ABOUT HOW \$426,000 IS TO BE
- 16 USED FOR AN UNCLAIMED RESTITUTION. NOW, WHETHER OR NOT --

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18 SUP. KNABE: THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MR. KORETZ.

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20 **HERMAN HERMAN:** PARDON ME?

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22 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT'S CORRECT.

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24 SUP. KNABE: IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MR. KORETZ.

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1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: STAY ON THE SUBJECT, SIR.

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3 HERMAN HERMAN: I DIDN'T BRING UP MR. KORETZ.

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5 SUP. KNABE: YOU DID.

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7 HERMAN HERMAN: YOU ACKNOWLEDGE IT AGAIN.

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9 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: COME ON. STAY ON SUBJECT. LET'S MOVE ON.

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- 11 HERMAN HERMAN: I LET GO OF THAT PORTION OF MR. KORETZ ASSAULT.
- 12 WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT IS HOW JACKIE LACEY AND ON THE
- 13 NEWSPAPER OF TODAY, AS WELL, MISS KAMALA HARRIS HAVE DONE
- 14 NOTHING IN INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC. PEOPLE ARE BEING CHALLENGED
- 15 WHO ARE BEATEN, ASSAULTED, BY THEIR RACE, BY THEIR PHYSICAL
- 16 AND MENTAL ABILITY, AND WORST OF ALL, BECAUSE OF THEIR SOCIAL
- 17 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THEIR COMMUNITY. THEY DON'T HAVE JOBS.
- 18 AND HAD MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS STAYED HERE, I COULD HAVE GAVE HIM
- 19 A SUGGESTION ABOUT THE JOBS, HOW HERB WESSON LOST A FOOTBALL
- 20 TEAM TO INGLEWOOD.

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22 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT WITNESS.

- 24 RUTH SARNOFF: RUTH SARNOFF. I THINK THAT ALL VICTIMS OF
- 25 VIOLENCE ARE WORTHY OF HELP AND SUPPORT. HOW WE DIVVY THAT UP

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- 1 IS SOMETHING I DON'T WANT TO GET INTO AT THIS MOMENT. BUT I DO
- 2 THINK THAT WE HAVE IN THIS CITY A LOT OF HOTEL VACANCY IN
- 3 DECENT HOUSING. AND I THINK THAT SHOULD BE EXPLORED AND SOME
- 4 KIND OF CONTRIBUTION OF THAT VACANT HOTEL SPACE SHOULD BE
- 5 OPENED UP ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS. ALSO, I THINK THAT THE WORK,
- 6 THESE TECH, LIVE/WORK BUILDINGS THAT ARE GOING UP, I THINK
- 7 THAT MODEL, WHEREVER IT IS, AND IF IT WAS CIRCULAR, THAT WOULD
- 8 BE EVEN NICER, INTO A CENTRAL PLACE WHERE YOU HAVE THE PRIVACY
- 9 OF ROOMS BUT YOU HAVE SOME SOCIAL CENTER WHERE YOU HAVE
- 10 SHOWERS AND COMMUNITY COOKING AND THAT KIND OF THING AND TO
- 11 KIND OF CHANGE THE THINKING A LITTLE BIT, PARTICULARLY WITH
- 12 PEOPLE RUNNING FROM DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFTEN HAVE YOUNG
- 13 CHILDREN OR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES AND HAVING A PLAY AREA AND A
- 14 PLAY WHERE MOTHERS CAN GET SUPPORT FROM OTHER MOTHERS AND, YOU
- 15 KNOW, AND THEY CAN KIND OF SHARE THE CARE OF CHILDREN THERE.
- 16 IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO PUT PEOPLE IN THE SOCIAL SETTING.
- 17 PEOPLE ARE ALREADY ISOLATED ENOUGH IN OUR SOCIETY. AND TO FIND
- 18 SOME WAYS OF BUILDING GARDENING AND BEAUTY AND WHATEVER INTO
- 19 IT, IT'S WORTH FIGHTING FOR, I THINK.

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- 21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU'RE
- 22 RECOGNIZED.

- 24 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I THINK I WANTED
- 25 TO THANK ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES AND THEIR STAFF WHO WORKED ON

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- 1 TRYING TO IDENTIFY AND GET THIS MONEY ACTUALLY OUT OF THE
- 2 UNCLAIMED RESTITUTION FUND AND INTO A USABLE FORM. FOR A LARGE
- 3 PORTION OF THE MONEY, A NUMBER OF ATTEMPTS, I THINK AS MANY AS
- 4 FIVE, HAVE BEEN MADE IN DIFFERENT MEDIA AND DIFFERENT AREAS TO
- 5 LET THE PEOPLE KNOW WHO WERE DIRECTLY SUPPOSED TO RECEIVE THE
- 6 RESTITUTION, THAT THE RESTITUTION WAS THERE. BUT THERE WAS
- 7 ANOTHER POT OF MONEY WHERE THE ATTEMPTS HAD NOT BEEN MADE. SO
- 8 WE AGREED TO SEPARATE THAT OUT SO THAT THE MONEY IN WHICH THE
- 9 ATTEMPTS HAD NOT BEEN MADE, THE ATTEMPTS WILL BE MADE IN THE
- 10 SAME WAY. AND IT'S REQUIRED BY LAW TO DO SO. IN ADDITION,
- 11 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND I HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT NOT ONLY USING
- 12 THE MONEY -- AND THIS GOES BACK TO THE OTHER ISSUE, AS WELL,
- 13 USING THE MONEY IN THE RESTITUTION FUND FOR HOUSING BUT ALSO
- 14 LOOKING AT THE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS REPORT THAT'S GOING TO
- 15 BE COMING TO THE BOARD ON THE 9TH AND IDENTIFYING ADDITIONAL
- 16 WAYS IN WHICH VICTIMS OF CRIME, PARTICULARLY MY INTEREST WAS
- 17 SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, BUT NOT ONLY, CAN ALSO ACCESS
- 18 AS AN ASPECT OF OUR HOMELESS COMMUNITY, SOMETIMES PERMANENT,
- 19 SOMETIMES TEMPORARY. SO I'M HAPPY TO SEE THIS RECOMMENDATION
- 20 AND STRONGLY SUPPORT IT.

- 22 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US AS
- 23 AMENDED. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. AND SECONDED WITHOUT
- 24 OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THE
- 25 TESTIMONY THAT WE HAD EARLY ON ON THIS MATTER, BECAUSE IT WAS

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- 1 A LABOR OF LOVE, I THINK, ON THE PART OF OUR OFFICES TO REALLY
- 2 TRY TO DRILL DOWN ON THIS. SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR INPUT. STAY
- 3 ENGAGED. THANK YOU.

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- 5 AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR, COUNTY
- 6 COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT ITEM 1 BE CONTINUED TO JANUARY 26, 2016.

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- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION, THERE IS NO OPPOSITION,
- 9 SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. MEMBERS, WE'RE NOW GOING TO TURN TO
- 10 SPECIAL ITEMS AND ADJOURNMENTS AND WE'LL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR
- 11 KNABE.

- 13 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, I WOULD MOVE THAT WE
- 14 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TERRY LAMBROS, MOTHER OF RICH LAMBROS, A
- 15 LONGTIME FRIEND AND TERRY AS WELL, PASSED AWAY THIS LAST WEEK.
- 16 BEAUTIFUL LADY COMMITTED TO HER LOVELY FAMILY AND FAITH,
- 17 FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL MISS HER DEARLY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
- 18 HER SON, RICHARD. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LAURA MARGARET
- 19 HANSEN RILEY, WHO PASSED AWAY A FEW DAYS AGO. SHE MARRIED
- 20 ALLEN RILEY. THEY LIVED IN PANAMA FOR A YEAR STATIONED IN THE
- 21 NAVY. THEY LATER MOVED TO LAKEWOOD, WHERE THEY RAISED FOUR
- 22 CHILDREN. SHE HAD MANY HOBBIES, INCLUDING MAKING CROCHETED
- 23 BLANKETS THAT SHE DONATED TO HIS NESTING PLACE, A NONPROFIT.
- 24 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, ALLEN AND JAMES, TWO
- 25 DAUGHTERS, JANET AND JULIE, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, AND THREE

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- 1 GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY FAMILY, FRIENDS
- 2 AND HER NEIGHBORS, WHO SHE TREATED AS FAMILY. FINALLY, THAT WE
- 3 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALEXANDER RUIZ, WHO SHOCKINGLY JUST WAS -
- 4 HE'S A GIRLS' WATER POLO ASSISTANT COACH FOR DIAMOND BAR
- 5 HIGH SCHOOL, LEFT PRACTICE AND PASSED AWAY IN THE PARKING LOT,
- 6 45 YEARS OLD, GREATLY MISSED BY THE COMMUNITY, SCHOOL STAFF,
- 7 AND STUDENTS, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER AND TWO SONS.
- 8 BOTH ATTEND DIAMOND BAR HIGH SCHOOL. AND THOSE ARE MY
- 9 ADJOURNMENTS.

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE ORDERED.
- 12 GO ON TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

- 14 SUP. ANTONOVICH: FIRST, MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE TWO REQUESTS.
- 15 ONE, THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES HAVE BEEN BANNED BY
- 16 THE COUNTY SINCE 2011 FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS AND CONCERNING
- 17 THE CONCERNS OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN AND AROUND SUCH USES.
- 18 HOWEVER, ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS TO SHUT DOWN THESE M.M.D.S TAKE A
- 19 VERY LONG TIME, BECAUSE THE PERIOD, WE UNDERSTAND, OUR OFFICE
- 20 AND OTHERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVING COUNTLESS COMPLAINTS FROM
- 21 IMPACTED RESIDENTS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND CITIES FROM THIS
- 22 PROBLEM. JANUARY 14TH AT APPROXIMATELY 4:12 IN THE AFTERNOON
- 23 IN THE PALMDALE STATION, THEY RECEIVED A 9-1-1 CALL ABOUT AN
- 24 ARMED ROBBERY OCCURRING AT THE LITTLEROCK MEDICAL MARIJUANA
- 25 DISPENSARY ON PEARBLOSSOM HIGHWAY. ONE ADULT MALE EMPLOYEE HAD

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- 1 BEEN SHOT IN THE STOMACH AND ANOTHER VICTIM HAD BEEN PISTOL
- 2 WHIPPED BY THE SUSPECTS. TWO OF THE SUSPECTS WERE ARMED WITH
- 3 SEMI-AUTOMATIC HANDGUNS. THEY ATTACKED TWO MALE EMPLOYEES IN
- 4 THE DISPENSARY BY SPRAYING THEM WITH PEPPER SPRAY, THEN
- 5 ORDERED THEM AT GUN POINT INTO THE BACK ROOM. ONE VICTIM WAS
- 6 PISTOL WHIPPED IN THE HEAD WHILE THEY DEMANDED MONEY,
- 7 MARIJUANA AND THEIR PROPERTY. THE SUSPECTS STOLE CASH,
- 8 CELLPHONES, MARIJUANA, AND COMPUTER HARD DRIVE AND FLED THE
- 9 DISPENSARY OUT THE BACK DOOR. BOTH VICTIMS WERE LATER
- 10 TRANSPORTED TO LOCAL HOSPITALS, WHERE THEY WERE TREATED FOR
- 11 THEIR INJURIES. I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE
- 12 COUNTY COUNSEL TO WORK WITH THE THE C.E.O., THE DIRECTOR OF
- 13 REGIONAL PLANNING, AND THE SHERIFF TO REPORT BACK IF THEY CAN
- 14 NEXT WEEK WITH RECOMMENDATIONS, NEXT WEEK OR IN TWO WEEKS, ON
- 15 WAYS THE COUNTY CAN IMPROVE, ENHANCE, AND EXPEDITE THE
- 16 ENFORCEMENT OF TITLE 22 OF L.A. COUNTY CODE, WHICH BANS
- 17 MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED
- 18 AREAS. I TALKED WITH THE C.E.O. THIS MORNING AND HAVING THEM
- 19 ALL GET TOGETHER, BECAUSE THERE IS A DELIBERATE PLOY BY THE
- 20 OPERATORS OF THE M.M.D.S WHERE THEY DELIBERATELY AVOID THE
- 21 LAW, SKIRT THE LAW TO CONTINUE THE OPERATION OF THESE ILLEGAL
- 22 ACTIVITIES. SO WE COULD HAVE A UNITED EFFORT AND CAN ADDRESS
- 23 THEM. SO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

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- 1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. TO REPORT BACK, YEAH, IN TWO WEEKS?
- 2 YEAH.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND THE AND THEN ON ANOTHER ONE, RELATIVE..

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6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THERE IS NO OBJECTION.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ..TO THE VICTIMS OF THE PORTER RANCH AREA
- 9 FROM ALISO GAS SPILL, IF WE COULD HAVE THE COUNTY ASSESSOR
- 10 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON JANUARY 26TH ON WHAT ACTIONS THEY
- 11 CAN DO TO HELP THE COMMUNITY WITH THEIR PROPERTY TAX ISSUES
- 12 THAT NOW HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THIS LEAK, JUST A REPORT BACK
- 13 FROM THE TAX ASSESSOR WHAT COULD BE DONE TO HELP THOSE PEOPLE.

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- 15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT'S BEEN MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, WITHOUT
- 16 OBJECTION.

- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND MY THIRD ONE, THE TOWN I WAS BORN IN,
- 19 HUNTINGTON PARK, MISSION HOSPITAL, TODAY YOU READ IN THE
- 20 PAPER, THERE WAS AN F.B.I. -- AND I GUESS INDICTMENTS ARE
- 21 COMING, WHATEVER, WITH THE ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES ON A CONTRACT
- 22 FOR A TOW FIRM, H.P. TOW, WHICH HAS A CONTRACT FOR EXCLUSIVE
- 23 OPERATIONS. IN THERE, THEY INDICATED THAT THEY ALSO HAVE A
- 24 CONTRACT WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO IF WE COULD HAVE
- 25 THE C.E.O. AND SHERIFF REPORT BACK ON THAT CONTRACT.

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2 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ALSO BE A REPORT BACK.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT'S IN MY DISTRICT AND WE ARE CONCERNED
- 7 ABOUT THAT SO THAT'S FINE. WE DO NEED TO HAVE THAT
- 8 INFORMATION. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION.

- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THEN, ON THE ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS, THIS HAS
- 11 BEEN A VERY SAD WEEK FOR MY CHIEF OF STAFF. HER FATHER,
- 12 RICHARD DALE BARGER, PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 17TH AT THE AGE OF
- 13 87. HIS FUNERAL WILL BE NEXT WEEK AT 1:00 AT OUR SAVIOR
- 14 EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SAN GABRIEL ON ROSE AVENUE. THAT'S THE
- 15 CHURCH WHERE GENERAL PATTON'S FAMILY AND WHERE HE WAS RAISED.
- 16 DICK WAS A GRADUATE FROM INDIANA UNIVERSITY AND A DEGREE IN
- 17 BUSINESS AND RECEIVED HIS LAW DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
- 18 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. ACTIVE PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA JUNIOR
- 19 BAR AND WAS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR RONALD REAGAN TO BE THE
- 20 INSURANCE COMMISSIONER DURING HIS ADMINISTRATION. WHILE
- 21 SERVING AS COMMISSIONER, HE WAS ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF THE
- 22 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS AND IN 1976
- 23 PARTNERED WITH ALAN WOLEN TO FORM BARGER AND WOLEN, WHICH
- 24 BECAME THE LEADING LAW FIRM IN THE NATION. HE CONTINUED TO BE
- 25 AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY, ACTING AS



- 1 PRESIDENT OF THE U.S.C. DELTA HOUSE CORPORATION AND SERVING ON
- 2 THE UNIVERSITY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND ALSO INDIANA
- 3 UNIVERSITY'S FOUNDATION BOARD. HE WAS A LOYAL SUPPORTER OF
- 4 INDIANA UNIVERSITY AND VERY DEDICATED TO THE BOY SCOUTS AND HE
- 5 WAS MY TREASURER FOR MY VARIOUS CAMPAIGNS AND JUST A FINE
- 6 GENTLEMAN AND A GOOD ROLE MODEL AND IS SURVIVED BY -- HIS
- 7 WIFE, ANN, PASSED AWAY A FEW YEARS AGO, AND HE LATER THEN
- 8 MARRIED MARY JANE. SO HE IS SURVIVED BY MARY JANE, HIS FIVE
- 9 CHILDREN AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN, RICHARD, JIM, JOHN, JAMES,
- 10 AND KATHRYN. AND I'LL ALSO ADD ANOTHER ONE, AND THAT'S OKEY
- 11 WAS LIKE A STEPSON FOR DICK, WHO JUST WAS PART OF THE FAMILY.
- 12 SO THAT ADJOURNMENT. AND THEN CELESTE SNAVELY SISTER-IN-LAW TO
- 13 MY CHIEF DEPUTY, CATHERINE BARGER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
- 14 61. MANY OF YOU KNOW HER. CATHERINE'S HUSBAND, ERIC, WHO WAS
- 15 THE FORMER SHERIFF WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THIS WAS HIS
- 16 SISTER. AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, GARY, AND DAUGHTER,
- 17 MARIA BENNETT. AND JOHN -- DR. JOHN PENIDO PASSED AWAY AT THE
- 18 AGE OF 92. HIS GRADUATE DEGREE WAS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
- 19 BRAZIL. BEFORE COMING TO THE UNITED STATES, HE WORKED AT
- 20 HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL FOR 31 YEARS, INCLUDING A YEAR AS
- 21 PRESIDENT OF THE MEDICAL STAFF. DURING HIS 55 YEARS IN THE
- 22 PASADENA COMMUNITY, HIS INVOLVEMENT INCLUDED THE U.S. POWER
- 23 SQUADRON, THE PASADENA ROTARY CLUB, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT
- 24 WESTRIDGE SCHOOL, SESSION OF LA CA ADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
- 25 THE HUNTINGTON LIBRARY SPECIAL DOCENT, TWILIGHT CLUB, AND THE



- 1 PASADENA CHAPTER OF THE INTERNATIONAL WINE AND FOOD SOCIETY,
- 2 WHERE HE WAS AWARDED THE ANDRE SIMON BRONZE MEDAL. HE'S
- 3 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THREE CHILDREN. ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND
- 4 FROM THE COUNTY AND TESTIFIED HERE MANY TIMES, GOOD FRIEND AND
- 5 SUPPORTER WAS DR. JAMES CLYDE CAILLOUETTE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
- 6 THE AGE OF 88. HE PASSED AWAY ON CHRISTMAS DAY. SERVED IN THE
- 7 UNITED STATES NAVY AS A NAVAL AIR CREW MAN. GRADUATED WITH
- 8 HONORS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF MEDICINE,
- 9 WAS AN O.B.G. IN PASADENA AND DELIVERED THOUSANDS OF BABIES,
- 10 AND PRESIDENT OF THE PACIFIC COAST O.B.-GYN SOCIETY. JIM WAS
- 11 AN AVID INVENTOR, ISSUING 33 PATENTS ON A WIDE VARIETY OF
- 12 MEDICAL PRODUCTS AND DEVICES, AUTHORING OVER 35 SCIENTIFIC
- 13 PAPERS, AND A MEMBER OF THE NU SIGMA NU HONOR SOCIETY, THE
- 14 TWILIGHT CLUB, THE CALIFORNIA CLUB, ECONOMIC ROUNDTABLE, THE
- 15 ANTHENAEUM OF CAL TECH, AND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE VALLEY HUNT
- 16 CLUB, WHERE HE SERVED ALSO AS A MEMBER OF THE POLYTECHNIC
- 17 SCHOOL FOR 10 YEARS. BUT HE TESTIFIED BEFORE OUR BOARD MANY
- 18 TIMES ON HEALTH ISSUES BEFORE THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT. VICTOR
- 19 ROSENBLATT, GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A. LAW SCHOOL, PASSED AWAY ON
- 20 DECEMBER 15TH. HE WAS IN-HOUSE COUNSEL FOR WESTERN AIRLINES,
- 21 AVERY CORP., AND THE NICHOLS INSTITUTE, FINISHED HIS CAREER
- 22 WORKING WITH THE LAW FIRM BUCHALTER, NEMER, FIELDS AND YOUNGER
- 23 IN LOS ANGELES, INVOLVED WITH THE LOCAL BAR ASSOCIATIONS AND
- 24 SERVED AS PRESIDENT FOR THE IRISH-AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION.
- 25 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR TWO DAUGHTERS. GENEVA M.



- 1 SPICER, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF MONROVIA, AND MOTHER OF MAYOR
- 2 PRO TEM LARRY SPICER, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. SHE
- 3 WAS A LONGTIME MEMBER OF THE HISTORIC SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH OF
- 4 MONROVIA, FOSTER CARE PARENT FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FROM 1970
- 5 THROUGH THE MID 90S, OVER 20-PLUS YEARS. SHE CARED FOR OVER
- 6 100 CHILDREN. GENEVA IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN, 28
- 7 GRANDCHILDREN, 45 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO GREAT-GREAT-
- 8 GRANDCHILDREN. AND HER SON LARRY HAS SERVED WITH DISTINCTION
- 9 ON THE MONROVIA CITY COUNCIL. LOLA OLSEN, RESIDENT OF SANTA
- 10 CLARITA, PASSED AWAY AT 96. HER CAREER WAS MAKING PLANES FOR
- 11 THE WAR EFFORT AT DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT COMPANY, THEN WENT ON TO
- 12 FORM OLSEN AND ASSOCIATES, HER REAL ESTATE BUSINESS, FOUNDER
- 13 OF THE NEWHALL-SAUGUS BOARD OF REALTORS AND ACTIVE VOLUNTEER
- 14 AT THE GERMAN GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY IN BURBANK. SHE'S SURVIVED
- 15 BY HER TWO SONS. DONA MARIE JORGENSEN, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
- 16 SANTA CLARITA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. SHE WAS A CO-
- 17 OWNER OF NEWHALL AMBULANCE AND WORKED AS A BUSINESS OFFICE
- 18 CONSULTANT FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN NEWHALL, CANYON COUNTRY,
- 19 PASADENA, AND ONTARIO. ALSO A PIANO TEACHER AND PLAYED FOR
- 20 SEVERAL MUSICAL PRODUCTIONS AT HART HIGH SCHOOL AND SHE IS
- 21 SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN. ONE OF MY GREAT BASEBALL
- 22 HEROES, I HAD HIS BASEBALL CARD AS A BOY, WAS MONTE IRVIN,
- 23 HALL OF FAME BASEBALL PLAYER FOR THE NEW YORK GIANTS, PASSED
- 24 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 96. SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING
- 25 WORLD WAR II, WITH THE SEGREGATED COMBAT UNIT, AND PLAYED WITH



- 1 THE NEW ENGLAND EAGLES FOLLOWING THE WAR. HE PLAYED IN MAJOR
- 2 LEAGUE BASEBALL FROM 1949 TO 1956 AND ELECTED TO THE HALL OF
- 3 FAME IN 1973, SURVIVED BY HIS TWO DAUGHTERS AND GREAT-
- 4 GRANDDAUGHTERS. ANOTHER WONDERFUL COMMUNITY LEADER AND A
- 5 FRIEND AND SUPPORTER BUT SHE WAS INVOLVED WITH ALL OF THE
- 6 VARIOUS WONDERFUL PHILANTHROPIC ORGANIZATIONS HELPING OUR
- 7 CHILDREN AND OTHERS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, MARGARET
- 8 JAGELS, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SAN MARINO, PASSED AWAY AT THE
- 9 AGE OF 93. SHE WAS A VOLUNTEER FOR THE NAVAL TELEGRAPH OFFICE
- 10 DURING WORLD WAR II, SERVED AS A TRUSTEE FOR THE SANTA
- 11 CATALINA SCHOOL, LOYOLA MARYMOUNT COLLEGE, AND MAYFIELD SCHOOL
- 12 OF THE HOLY CHILD JESUS. SHE WAS DEDICATED TO SERVING THE
- 13 GREATER COMMUNITY AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. RECOGNIZED AS A
- 14 DAME OF MALTA AND A DAME OF ST. GREGORY. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER
- 15 FOUR CHILDREN AND 13 GRANDCHILDREN. ANNE MARIE ANDERSON,
- 16 RESIDENT OF STEVENSON RANCH IN SANTA CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT
- 17 THE AGE OF 53. SHE WAS A SALES AGENT FOR SANDLER BROTHERS. SHE
- 18 IS SURVIVED BY HER MOTHER, HER FIVE SIBLINGS, HUSBAND, AND TWO
- 19 CHILDREN. ELIZABETH "BETTY" MARIE FITZWATER, RESIDENT OF SANTA
- 20 CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 79, WORKED FOR THE SAN
- 21 FERNANDO ELECTRIC COMPANY AND CAREGIVER AT THE L.A.
- 22 RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION. DECORATED BOWLER WITH THE
- 23 LEAGUE'S HIGH SERIES AWARD AND SURVIVED BY HER SISTER AS WELL
- 24 AS HER HUSBAND AND SIX CHILDREN. AND WALTER KARSTENS DODS
- 25 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE -- ON JANUARY 12TH. HE WAS A GRADUATE

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- 1 OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY, SERVING AS LIEUTENANT IN THE UNITED
- 2 STATES MARINE CORPS. HE GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SAN
- 3 FRANCISCO WITH A JURIS DOCTORATE IN 1967. HE FREQUENTLY
- 4 VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE AS A COURT APPOINTED MEDIATOR, SETTLEMENT
- 5 COURT JUDGE AND ARBITRATOR, ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE PARKS AND
- 6 RECREATION COMMISSION AND MARION WOOD ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL
- 7 CHURCH AND PRESIDENT OF MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT,
- 8 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, THEIR THREE CHILDREN AND HIS SISTER AND
- 9 FOUR BROTHERS. AND HIS MOTHER WAS A COMMUNITY LEADER IN THE
- 10 CITY OF SOUTH GATE FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, A WONDERFUL LADY, AND
- 11 HE WAS A WONDERFUL SON AND FAMILY MEMBER AND HE PASSED AWAY ON
- 12 JANUARY 12TH. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

- 14 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION. I HAVE THREE THAT I'D
- 15 LIKE TO READ IN FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT. FIRST I'D LIKE TO
- 16 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PABLO
- 17 GRATAS. MR. GRATAS WAS BORN IN 1968 AND PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY
- 18 12TH, 2016 IN A TRAGIC CAR ACCIDENT. HE WAS BELOVED FATHER,
- 19 BROTHER, SON, AND HUSBAND. GRATAS WAS A PROMOTIONS PRODUCER AT
- 20 TELEMUNDO CHANNEL 52 IN LOS ANGELES. HIS FATHER, ENRIQUE
- 21 GRATAS, PASSED AWAY JUST THREE MONTHS AGO FROM CANCER AND WAS
- 22 ALSO A RESPECTED, AWARD-WINNING JOURNALIST. THEY INSPIRED MANY
- 23 PEOPLE, BOTH OF THEM, AND THEY'LL BE BOTH REMEMBERED. LOURDES
- 24 PERALTA, AS WE ADJOURN TODAY, I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN HER
- 25 MEMORY. LOURDES PERALTA, A RESIDENT OF PICO RIVERA, PASSED



- 1 AWAY ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 9TH, 2016. SHE WAS 17 DAYS SHY OF
- 2 HER 61ST BIRTHDAY. SHE WAS THE FIRST WOMAN TO EARN A CIVIL
- 3 ENGINEERING DEGREE AT THE UNIVERSIDAD MICHOACANA DE SAN
- 4 NICOLAS DE HIDALGO. SHE LATER WORKED IN THE PUBLIC WORKS
- 5 DEPARTMENT FOR THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF MICHOACAN, BUILDING
- 6 PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MARKETS, PLAZAS, AND BRIDGES. SHE ALSO WORKED
- 7 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, BUILDING HOSPITALS,
- 8 CLINICS, AND BECAME ONE OF A SELECT GROUP OF PROFESSIONAL
- 9 WOMEN ENGINEERS. HER HUSBAND, ENRIQUE PERALTA, SR., IS THE
- 10 VICE CHAIR OF THE AMBULATORY CARE NETWORK ADVISORY BOARD. HE
- 11 WAS ALSO RECENTLY SELECTED AS A CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVE ON
- 12 BEHALF OF HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CARE DELIVERY COMMISSION AT THE
- 13 INTEGRATED ADVISORY COMMITTEE. IN ADDITION TO HER HUSBAND OF
- 14 MORE THAN 30 YEARS, ENRIQUE PERALTA, SR., LOURDES PERALTA IS
- 15 SURVIVED BY HER SONS, FRANK AND ENRIQUE, JR., HER DAUGHTER-IN-
- 16 LAW, RACHEL, GRANDDAUGHTER ROSLIND. SERVICES BEGIN AT 9 A.M.
- 17 ON JANUARY 20TH, 2016 AT OUR LADY OF MIRACULOUS MEDAL AT 820
- 18 NORTH GARFIELD AVENUE IN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO. I ALSO MOVE
- 19 TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SCOTT BUI. MR. BUI WAS BORN
- 20 ON OCTOBER 4TH, 1973 AND PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 17TH, 2016 AT
- 21 THE AGE OF 42. HE GRADUATED FROM ROSEMEAD HIGH SCHOOL IN 1991,
- 22 RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN BUSINESS MARKETING FROM CAL
- 23 STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE. HE WAS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
- 24 AT GYSSIEN INTERNATIONAL AND WAS A PROUD RESIDENT OF THE CITY
- 25 OF WALNUT. HIS HOBBIES INCLUDED TRAVELING, PLAYING AND



- 1 COACHING BASKETBALL, AND HE CONSIDERED HIMSELF THE BIGGEST
- 2 L.A. CLIPPERS FAN. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS DEDICATED
- 3 LOVE FOR HIS FAMILY AND PASSIONATE BELIEFS. HE IS SURVIVED BY
- 4 HIS MOTHER AND HIS FATHER AND HIS WIFE AND SON. AND WE WILL
- 5 EXTEND OUR BLESSINGS TO THE FAMILY MEMBERS AND TEAMMATES. ALSO
- 6 WANT TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT FOR SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO
- 7 ASKED ME TO ENTER THIS ALSO INTO THE RECORD SINCE HE IS NOT
- 8 HERE. AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ASKED ME TO MOVE THIS ITEM
- 9 TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EASY MONEY ADE KOIA, OR GEORGE E.
- 10 HARPER. MR. HARPER WAS BORN ON NOVEMBER 6, 1994 IN LOS ANGELES
- 11 AND PASSED AWAY FROM INJURIES SUSTAINED IN A MOTORCYCLE
- 12 ACCIDENT ON DECEMBER 24TH OF 2015 AT THE AGE OF 21. WAS AN
- 13 ENGINEERING STUDENT WITH A 4.0 G.P.A. AND ON THE DEAN'S HONOR
- 14 LIST AT U.C.L.A., STUDIED POLITICAL SCIENCE. HE WORKED AS A
- 15 STUDENT RESEARCHER FOR THE BLACK MALE INSTITUTE AND A SITE
- 16 COORDINATOR FOR STUDENTS' HEIGHTENING ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE
- 17 THROUGH EDUCATION PROGRAM. MR. HARPER WAS AN EFFECTIVE AND
- 18 ENGAGED ADVOCATE INVOLVED IN SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING
- 19 AS CHAIR OF THE U.C.L.A. AFRICAN MEN'S COLLECTIVE, WHICH
- 20 PROVIDES A PLACE FOR BLACK MEN OR THE DIASPORA TO DISCUSS AND
- 21 COLLABORATE ON ISSUES AND AS A MENTOR AND VICE PROVOST FOR THE
- 22 PRECOLLEGE SCHOLARS PROGRAM, WHICH RECRUITS TO U.C.L.A.,
- 23 ESPECIALLY THOSE STUDENTS OF UNDERREPRESENTED BACKGROUNDS.
- 24 HE'LL BE REMEMBERED AS A VERY BRIGHT STUDENT, A MENTOR AND
- 25 ADVOCATE, WHO WAS ALSO AN ACCOMPLISHED PIANIST, OFTEN

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- 1 ENTERTAINING SENIOR CITIZENS LIVING AT RETIREMENT HOMES. MR.
- 2 HARPER IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, ROY ABU AND LAILA, SISTERS
- 3 KATHLEEN AND SHARON, AND BROTHERS TODD AND KALIL, GRANDPARENTS
- 4 ROSALIE AND PHELPS, GRANDFRIEND AMINA, AND A HOST OF EXTENDED
- 5 RELATIVES AND FRIENDS AND CLASSMATES. WE WILL MISS HIM DEARLY.
- 6 THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

- 8 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I WAS THINKING
- 9 ABOUT NOTICING A GRANDFRIEND AS AN A ASPECT OF ONE'S CHOSEN
- 10 FAMILY. I THINK IT'S A REALLY GOOD THING. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
- 11 ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GLENN FREY, MEMBER OF
- 12 THE EAGLES, DIED ON JANUARY 18TH. HE WAS RAISED IN DETROIT,
- 13 BUT HE CAME TO CALIFORNIA IN THE MID '60S, AND THROUGHOUT THE
- 14 EARLY TO MID '70S FREY AND THE EAGLES LED A RENAISSANCE OF
- 15 ICONIC CALIFORNIA SINGER/SONGWRITERS. HE PLAYED GUITAR AND
- 16 KEYBOARD AND OCCASIONALLY SANG WITH THE BAND. HIS BAND PARTNER
- 17 DON HENLEY CALLED FREY "THE LONE ARRANGER," NOTING HIS VISION
- 18 FOR INVENTING WAYS THE BAND'S VOICES COULD BLEND AS WELL AS
- 19 ARRANGING THE VOCALS. THE EAGLES' GREATEST HITS '71 TO '75
- 20 SOLD 29 MILLION COPIES IN THE UNITED STATES. HE'S SURVIVED BY
- 21 HIS WIFE, CINDY, AND THEIR CHILDREN, TAYLOR, DEACON, AND OTIS.
- 22 AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
- 23 BETTY LOU LEEDY STOLLER. SHE DIED ON DECEMBER 4TH. SHE AND HER
- 24 HUSBAND LIVED IN LOS FELIZ, IN BURBANK, AND ULTIMATELY IN
- 25 ENCINO. SHE TAUGHT HIGH SCHOOL IN PITTSBURGH AND WORKED THEN



- 1 WORKED AT THE COUNSELING CENTER AT U.C.L.A. SHE DEDICATED 40
- 2 YEARS TO EDUCATING THE PUBLIC AND SHARING HER LOVE OF ART AS A
- 3 VOLUNTEER DOCENT AT THE L.A. COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART. SHE JOINED
- 4 THE DOCENT COUNCIL IN '75 AND CONTINUED UNTIL HER DEATH AND
- 5 SERVED AS DOCENT COUNCIL CHAIR FROM '90 TO '91. SHE IS
- 6 SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN, FREDERICA, DAVID, AND MARSHAL
- 7 STOLLER. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN
- 8 MEMORY OF LENORE STEIN-WOOD. SHE DIED ON JANUARY 12TH. IN THE
- 9 1960S, SHE WAS A FOUNDER OF THE INNER-CITY HOME HEALTH
- 10 ASSOCIATION, ONE OF THE VERY FIRST COMPANIES TO PROVIDE HOME
- 11 NURSING AND THERAPEUTIC SERVICES TO PATIENTS IN NEED. THE
- 12 COMPANY FLOURISHED. 20 YEARS LATER, HAD EARNED A REPUTATION AS
- ONE OF THE BEST HOME HEALTH PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY. LATER IN
- 14 HER LIFE, SHE BECAME A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF COUNSELORS AT
- 15 THE U.S.C. SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AND WITH HER HUSBAND ENDOWED
- 16 A SCHOLARSHIP AND TWO PROFESSORSHIPS AT THE SCHOOL. SHE
- 17 RECEIVED AN HONORARY DOCTORATE FROM THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
- 18 AND RECEIVED THE SOCIETY OF BRAIN MAPPING AND THERAPEUTICS
- 19 HUMANITARIAN AWARD. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, BILL WOOD,
- 20 HER BROTHER, BARRY TESH, AND HER SON, MICHAEL STEIN. AND I
- 21 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MORTON
- 22 MANUS. MORTY MANUS, PRESIDENT OF ALFRED MUSIC, A MUSIC
- 23 PUBLISHER, DIED ON JANUARY 9TH. HIS FATHER'S MUSIC PUBLISHING
- 24 BUSINESS, ALFRED MUSIC, HAD ITS BEGINNINGS IN NEW YORK'S TIN
- 25 PAN ALLEY IN THE 1920S AND FOCUSED ON MUSIC FOR SILENT MOVIES.

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- I IN THE 1950S, MORTY SAW THE NEED FOR QUALITY MUSIC EDUCATION
- 2 PRODUCTS AND REINVENTED THE COMPANY, DEVELOPING INSTRUCTIONAL
- 3 SERIES FOR HOME MUSICIANS, INCLUDING ALFRED'S BASIC GUITAR
- 4 METHOD AND ALFRED'S BASIC PIANO LIBRARY. THE COMPANY BECAME
- 5 ONE OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST INSTRUCTIONAL MUSIC PUBLISHERS.
- 6 WITH HIS WIFE, HE SUPPORTED MANY MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS,
- 7 COMPETITIONS, AND ORGANIZATIONS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
- 8 IRIS, AND HIS THREE SONS, STEVEN, SCOTT AND RON. THANK YOU.

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- 10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. NOW,
- 11 MEMBERS, WE'RE GOING TO TURN TO PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE A
- 12 WITNESS FROM LANCASTER, MR. JASON ZINK.

- 14 JASON ZINK: RIGHT NOW? OKAY. HOW ARE YOU DOING? LAST WEEK, MY
- 15 NEPHEW WYATT BROKE HIS LEG, SO WE WENT TO ANTELOPE VALLEY
- 16 HOSPITAL E.R. AND WAITED HOURS AND GOT X-RAYS AND WAS TOLD WE
- 17 HAD TO GO TO THE NEW COUNTY HIGH DESERT MEDICAL CENTER ON
- 18 AVENUE I TO GET A CAST. WE WAITED 4-1/2 HOURS TO BE SEEN, GOT
- 19 THE X-RAYS, AND THEY X-RAYED THE WRONG PART OF THE LEG AND HAD
- 20 TO REDO IT AGAIN. AND THEY TOLD US THAT WE HAD TO GO TO --
- 21 THERE IS ONLY A PERSON THAT COMES UP TWICE A WEEK THAT PUTS ON
- 22 CASTS AND HE WASN'T EVEN GOING TO BE COMING UP NEXT WEEK. SO
- 23 THEY TOLD US WE HAD TO GO TO DOWNTOWN L.A. U.S.C. TO GET THE
- 24 CAST DONE. THAT'S OVER 60 MILES AWAY, AND WYATT IS IN FOSTER
- 25 CARE. SO, HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY MONEY TO GO DOWN TO L.A. FOR

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- 1 THESE OPERATIONS. WHY DOES THE COUNTY TREAT CITIZENS IN THE
- 2 ANTELOPE VALLEY LIKE SECOND-CLASS STEPCHILDREN? WHY ARE YOU
- 3 GUYS MAKING PEOPLE FROM ANTELOPE VALLEY GO ALL THE WAY DOWN TO
- 4 DOWNTOWN L.A.? WHY DID YOU BUILD A \$150 MILLION FACILITY,
- 5 MEDICAL FACILITY IN LANCASTER AND THERE'S HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE
- 6 THAT WORK THERE AND NO NURSE OR ANYBODY THERE CAN'T PUT ON A
- 7 CAST OR MAKE A CAST FOR MY NEPHEW? I GREW UP IN LITTLEROCK. 20
- 8 YEARS AGO WE HAD A TOWN DOCTOR WHO WOULD SEW PEOPLE UP, X-RAY,
- 9 MADE CASTS FOR BROKEN LEGS, EVEN DELIVERED BABIES. TWO PEOPLE,
- 10 AND ALL THOSE HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE OVER THERE IN LANCASTER CAN'T
- 11 MAKE A CAST? LANCASTER MAKES RESIDENTS GO TO L.A. FOR HEART
- 12 STRESS TESTS, C.A.T. SCANS. WHY NOT CONTRACT OUT WITH LOCAL
- 13 DOCTORS SO POOR PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY THAT LIVE IN ANTELOPE
- 14 VALLEY DON'T HAVE TO GO TO L.A.?

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16 SPEAKER: WRAP IT UP.

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- 18 JASON ZINK: OKAY. THE COUNTY TRAUMA TAX, THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
- 19 HOSPITAL IS THE THIRD BUSIEST HOSPITAL IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, I
- 20 MEAN IN L.A. COUNTY. OUT OF THE TRAUMA TAX, WE ONLY GET \$1
- 21 MILLION, \$1 MILLION, BUT ANTELOPE VALLEY PROPERTY OWNERS
- 22 PRODUCE \$12 MILLION FOR THE TRAUMA TAX FOR L.A. COUNTY.

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24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.

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1 JASON ZINK: THAT'S NOT RIGHT. I'M ASKING YOU TO --

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3 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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- 5 JASON ZINK: I'M ASKING IF YOU CAN SEND UP A DOCTOR TO
- 6 LANCASTER TO PUT ON MY NEPHEW'S LEG? YOU GOT MY PHONE NUMBER.
- 7 THANK YOU.

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- 9 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WE RECEIVED YOUR COMMUNICATION ON THAT. WE'RE
- 10 FOLLOWING UP ON THAT. AND ALSO, I AGREE WITH YOU THAT WHEN
- 11 SERVICES ARE NOT AVAILABLE THAT THEY OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO
- 12 CONTRACT WITH THE LOCAL DOCTORS THERE TO GET THAT TYPE OF
- 13 TREATMENT AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE, BECAUSE PUTTING THE CAST ON
- 14 AN ARM OR WHATEVER THE BROKEN LIMB IS, IS IMPORTANT AND NOT
- 15 ONE THAT CAN WAIT. SO, WE'RE FOLLOWING UP ON THAT. THANK YOU.

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17 JASON ZINK: THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH.

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- 19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY, WE ALSO HAVE JOSE
- 20 MARTINEZ. AND ALSO HAVE BRUCE WHEATLEY, WHO WILL SPEAK FOR 10
- 21 MINUTES. HE HAS SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE GIVING THEIR
- 22 TIME, JAMES SHIRLEY, REVA STEVENS, MALCOLM HARRIS, AND SHARON
- 23 LISLE ARE GIVING A TOTAL OF 10 MINUTES OVER TO MR. BRUCE
- 24 WHEATELY. WE CAN HAVE HIM COME FORWARD.



- 1 BRUCE WHEATLEY: HELLO, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
- 2 SUPERVISORS. I DON'T THINK I'M GOING QUITE NEED 10 MINUTES,
- 3 BUT NEVERTHELESS, TODAY WE ARE REPRESENTING THE AFRICAN-
- 4 AMERICAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE COALITION. WE WERE FORMED TO
- 5 ENSURE THAT L.A. COUNTY'S HEALTH AGENCY, FOR ONE, IMMEDIATELY
- 6 OPENS DECISIONMAKING STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS FOR PUBLIC
- 7 PARTICIPATION AND COMMENT; TWO, TO IDENTIFY ITS APPROACH FOR
- 8 COMMUNITY INTEGRATION AND PARTICIPATING IN THE COUNTY'S SYSTEM
- 9 OF CARE TO LEGITIMIZE THE HEALTH AGENCY WITH PUBLIC APPROVAL;
- 10 THIRD, TO ENSURE THE DELIVERY OF FULLY INTEGRATED MENTAL
- 11 HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES AT SINGLE-SITE LOCATIONS
- 12 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY; AND FOURTH, TO ESTABLISH A
- 13 MULTICULTURAL GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MADE UP OF EQUAL SYSTEM
- 14 ADMINISTRATORS, CONTRACT PROVIDERS, AND COMMUNITY-BASED
- 15 ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP STAKEHOLDERS TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS
- 16 AND MONITOR CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EMERGENT SYSTEM OF
- 17 CARE, MONITORING EXPENDITURES, COST CONTROLS, QUALITY OF CARE,
- 18 AND IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMUNITY-DEFINED INNOVATIONS. BEFORE
- 19 PROCEEDING, WE'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR THOMAS FOR HOSTING A
- 20 HOMELESS INITIATIVE MEETING TOMORROW IN SERVICE AREA 6, WHERE
- 21 MANY OF OUR VOICES WERE LEFT OUT OF THE INITIAL STAKEHOLDER
- 22 PROCESS. DURING THE TIME WHERE BIG DATA IS INFLUENCING
- 23 DECISIONMAKING, ANYONE WHO DOES NOT REALIZE AFRICAN-AMERICANS
- 24 ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY REPRESENTED BY POPULATION IN NEARLY
- 25 EVERY ADVERSE QUALITY OF LIFE INDICATOR HAS EITHER BEEN LIVING



- 1 UNDER A ROCK OR INCREDIBLY BIASED IN THEIR DECISIONMAKING. WE
- 2 HAVE NO CONFIDENCE THAT THE COUNTY'S HEALTH AGENCY WILL BE
- 3 FULLY IMPLEMENTED TO ACHIEVE THE TRIPLE AIM OF LOWERING COSTS,
- 4 INCREASING ACCESS, AND BETTER QUALITY OF CARE BY EXCLUDING
- 5 PUBLIC STAKEHOLDERS IN THE INVOLVEMENT OF THIS EMERGENT
- 6 SYSTEM. IN FACT, THE CURRENT CLOSED-DOOR DECISIONMAKING IS
- 7 SYMBOLIC OF THE PROCESS TO INTEGRATE THE COUNTY'S THREE
- 8 SYSTEMS IN 1972, OF WHICH MENTAL HEALTH SEPARATED WITHIN SIX
- 9 YEARS, FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC HEALTH SEVERAL YEARS FOLLOWING. WE,
- 10 THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COALITION, IS
- 11 ATTEMPTING TO DIVERT THE PUBLIC MASSACRE OF OUR PEOPLE. WE
- 12 LEAD WITH DIVERSITY IN MIND. WE LEAD WITH INSURING THE
- 13 EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC RESOURCES. WE DESIRE TO BE
- 14 SEEN, HEARD AND REPRESENTED. A RECENT PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE
- 15 ACTUALLY SAID "INEQUALITY WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST UNTIL THE
- 16 BIASED DECISIONMAKERS ARE OUT OF THE SYSTEM." THIS BLATANT
- 17 LACK OF ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC RESOURCES ONCE IT'S
- 18 AUTHORIZED TO YOUR DEPARTMENT'S LEADERSHIP REPRESENTS A
- 19 CLASSIC EXAMPLE OF WHY OUR STATE'S MOST WEALTHY ARE CLAIMING
- 20 RESIDENCE IN OTHER STATES, BECAUSE THEY KNOW THEIR TAX DOLLARS
- 21 ARE NOT EFFECTIVELY SERVING THE STATE'S MOST VULNERABLE
- 22 RESIDENTS. THIS MUST CEASE. I ENCOURAGE ALL ANGELINOS, RICH,
- 23 POOR, OR STRUGGLING TO SEEK BETTER ACCOUNTABILITY WITH PUBLIC
- 24 FUNDS. IF THE BOARD'S PRIORITY OF CULTURAL COMPETENCY IS TO
- 25 GAIN ANY LEVEL OF LEGITIMACY, PLEASE HEAR OUR CONCERNS. MEET

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- 1 WITH OUR LEADERSHIP TO GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE
- 2 COUNTY'S HEALTH AGENCY CAN APPROPRIATELY SERVE ALL ANGELINOS.
- 3 IT'S, QUITE FRANKLY, UNFAIR WHAT IS HAPPENING. BLACK LIVES
- 4 MATTER, BECAUSE WE ARE INNOVATORS. WE ARE INNOVATORS THAT MAKE
- 5 THE LIVES OF OTHERS IN OUR COUNTRY EASIER. THERE'S SO MUCH TO
- 6 BE SAID ABOUT WHAT'S TAKING PLACE IN OUR COUNTY AND THE PLIGHT
- 7 OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS. WE ONLY HOPE THAT YOU HEAR OUR CALL AND
- 8 UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE CHAMPIONING FOR THE COUNTRY AND THE
- 9 COUNTY'S POOR TO ENSURE THAT WE CAN LIFT FOLK FROM POVERTY
- 10 INTO MIDDLE-CLASS LIFESTYLES SO THAT EVERYONE HAS A FAIR
- 11 OPPORTUNITY TO PROSPER IN L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME
- 12 AND ATTENTION WITH THIS MATTER, AND I'M HOPEFUL THAT YOU WILL
- 13 HAVE SOMEONE MEET WITH US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO WE CAN
- 14 DISCUSS SOME REAL STRATEGIES ON INSURING THAT OUR COMMUNITY
- 15 AND CONSTITUENTS ARE APPROPRIATELY SERVED. GOD BLESS.

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- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 18 [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. NEXT I'D LIKE TO CALL UP PRENTISS JENKINS,
- 19 HERMAN HERMAN, WAYNE, ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC PREVEN, RUTH SARNOFF.

- 21 PRENTISS JENKINS: PRENTISS JENKINS, CITI LYFE NEWSLETTER,
- 22 PUBLISHER AND ACTIVIST SINCE 1991. I HAVE HERE A LETTER THAT
- 23 I'VE PUT TOGETHER FOR THE LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
- 24 I'VE ALREADY GIVEN ONE TO THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF
- 25 POLICE COMMISSIONERS. AND THIS IS A REQUEST TO REFRAIN FROM

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- 1 USING THE WORDS ISLAMIC, MUSLIMS, AND TERRORIST IN THE SAME
- 2 SENTENCE. I AS A CHRISTIAN HATE IT WHEN I HEAR PEOPLE SAY
- 3 MUSLIM TERRORISTS. MUSLIMS ARE NOT TERRORISTS. TERRORISTS ARE
- 4 TERRORISTS. WHEN I HEAR PEOPLE SAY ISLAMIC TERRORISTS, ISLAM
- 5 IS NOT A TERRORIST RELIGION. THAT'S LIKE SAYING TIMOTHY
- 6 MCVEIGH, WHITE MAN, BLEW UP A BUILDING, WHITE AMERICAN BLEW UP
- 7 A BUILDING, HE BLEW UP A GOVERNMENT BUILDING IN OKLAHOMA. HE
- 8 WAS A CHRISTIAN. NO ONE CALLED THAT MAN A CHRISTIAN TERRORIST.
- 9 SO, WHY DO YOU KEEP CALLING ISLAM, ISLAMIC TERRORISTS? I HAVE
- 10 A LETTER FOR EACH BOARD MEMBER, I'D LIKE TO GIVE EACH BOARD
- 11 MEMBER, AND IT IS A REQUEST WHENEVER THERE IS A NEWS
- 12 CONFERENCE OR ANYTHING ABOUT TERRORISM, DO NOT REFER TO
- 13 MUSLIMS AS TERRORISTS. REFER TO THE PERSON AS A TERRORIST. DO
- 14 NOT SAY THEY WERE A MUSLIM TERRORIST. DO NOT SAY THEY WERE
- 15 ISLAMIC TERRORISTS. JUST SAY THE WORD TERRORISTS. AND I'D LIKE
- 16 TO KNOW WHO I PRESENT THESE LETTERS TO. I HAVE LETTERS FOR
- 17 EVERY ONE OF YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR ROOM NUMBERS AND YOUR NAMES
- 18 ARE ON THEM. THIS IS A VERY SENSITIVE ISSUE, AND AS A
- 19 CHRISTIAN, IT'S MY DUTY TO SPEAK UP AND TO COME TO AGENCIES
- 20 LIKE THIS AND SAY SOMEBODY'S GOT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
- 21 STOP CALLING MUSLIMS TERRORISTS. FOR EVERY PERSON THAT IS
- 22 MUSLIM IN HERE, I'M SURE THEY'RE ASHAMED EVERY TIME THEY HEAR
- 23 THE WORD MUSLIM AND TERRORISTS. HOW'D YOU LIKE TO HEAR
- 24 CHRISTIAN TERRORISTS ALL THE TIME?

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1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 3 ERIC PREVEN: YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT
- 4 HERE IN THE PUBLIC COMMENT. I WROTE A LITTLE OPINION ABOUT THE
- 5 LEGAL ISSUES THAT WE DEALT WITH TODAY HERE AT THE BOARD
- 6 MEETING. AND THERE WAS A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON THE USE-OF-FORCE
- 7 MANUAL FOR OUR REVERED SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND THAT WAS
- 8 REVISED BY SOME OF OUR LAWYERS. SO THAT'S THE GOOD NEWS. THE
- 9 BAD NEWS IS THAT THERE ARE SOME DANGLERS IN THERE THAT THEY
- 10 MISSED. AND ONE IN PARTICULAR THAT I TRIED TO LIKE RAISE UP
- 11 HAS TO DO WITH THE USE OF TASERS, WHICH ARE THESE DEVICES THAT
- 12 PROVIDE 50,000 VOLTS OF ELECTRICITY TO GO INTO A PERSON.
- 13 THEY'RE A TOOL THAT CAN BE USED IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. I THINK
- 14 IT'S A LITTLE OVERREPORTED OR UNDERREPORTED OR SOMETHING ABOUT
- 15 HOW THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE USED. BUT SOMEHOW IN OUR USE OF
- 16 FORCE MANUAL, A PARTICULAR PROTOCOL, AND WICKHAM WILL BE
- 17 LOOKING AT THIS CLOSELY, I ASSUME, THERE IS A PROVISION THAT
- 18 SAYS IT IS OKAY TO SPARK ONE. NOW, SPARKING A TASER IS
- 19 SOMETHING LIKE CRACKING A WHIP. IT KIND OF -- IT'S DESIGNED TO
- 20 -- WAH! -- AND I THINK IT WOULD HAVE THAT EFFECT. BUT IN LAW
- 21 ENFORCEMENT IN MODERN TERMS, WE ARE NOT SO MUCH INTO THOSE
- 22 INTIMIDATION TACTICS ANYMORE. WE ARE TRYING. WE DON'T SEE THE
- 23 NEED TO TAKE A GUY DOWN ANYMORE. WE SEE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 24 RESOLVE, AND WE'VE HEARD DR. KATZ AND OTHERS TALK ABOUT HOW,
- 25 ESPECIALLY WITH THE MENTALLY ILL, THE LAST THING YOU WANT TO

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- 1 BE DOING IS SCARING OR CREATING THESE -- AND WE HAVE PAID,
- 2 IT'S WORTH NOTING, A LOT OF MONEY SETTLING LEGAL DISPUTES
- 3 REGARDING TASERS, IN PARTICULAR DUPREE VERSUS COUNTY OF LOS
- 4 ANGELES. THAT WAS THE ONE WHERE THE JUDGE SAID SPECIFICALLY IF
- 5 THE COUNTY COUNSEL KNEW WHAT WAS GOING ON IN THIS CASE, AND
- 6 THEN A LOT OF THINGS STARTED TO CRUMBLE AND WE HAVE DEALT WITH
- 7 A LOT OF IT. THIS IS ONE THING THAT I DON'T THINK WE'VE DEALT
- 8 WITH. AND I THINK WE NEED TO DEAL WITH IT. I THINK WE NEED TO
- 9 TAKE A REAL GOOD LOOK AT THE USE OF FORCE MANUAL AND JUST BE
- 10 SURE THAT WE ARE DEALING WITH STATE-OF-THE-ART INFORMATION FOR
- 11 OUR DEPUTIES, BECAUSE THEY WANT CLARITY. I KNOW I SPOKE TO A
- 12 BUNCH OF THEM TODAY, AND THEY DON'T THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE
- 13 BEHAVIOR.

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15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

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- 17 HERMAN HERMAN: YES. [PLAYS RECORDING]: I AM A JEW. MY MOTHER
- 18 WAS A JEW. AND IF YOU SAY THAT AGAIN, I WILL SHOUT THE ENTIRE
- 19 TIME YOU'RE TALKING.

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT'S OFF SUBJECT, SIR.

- 23 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: HOW IS THIS RELATED TO PUBLIC COMMENT?
- 24 WHAT FALLS INTO THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD THAT THIS VIDEO
- 25 OR AUDIO YOU'RE PLAYING RELATES TO?

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2 WAYNE SPINDLER: STOP THE TIME. HOLD THE TIME.

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4 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: NO, I'M NOT. THAT'S THE RULE HERE.

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- 6 HERMAN HERMAN: MY CONCERN HERE IS HOW THOSE ON THAT SIDE OF
- 7 THE COUNCIL REFLECT TO THOSE ON THIS SIDE. AS YOU BROUGHT UP,
- 8 MADAME COUNSEL, EARLIER, YOU SAID THAT WE WERE NOT ON TOPIC.
- 9 WE'RE NOT PAID CAMPAIGN DONORS OR PROVIDING TOWARDS YOUR
- 10 CAMPAIGN INTERESTS. SO WE ARE NOT PAID PUBLICLY TO SPEAK. SO
- 11 AT TIMES WE'RE GOING TO ENGAGE ON OFF-THE-SUBJECT MATTER OF
- 12 MATERIAL.

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- 14 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: ALL YOU'RE ALLOWED TO SPEAK TO ARE
- 15 ITEMS THAT FALL WITHIN THE JURISDICTION WITHIN THE BOARD. SO,
- 16 I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE..

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18 HERMAN HERMAN: THE JURISDICTON IS THE BROWN ACT 54950..

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- 20 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: ..LIMIT YOUR REMARKS TO THAT, OR ELSE
- 21 WE WILL HAVE TO ASK THAT YOU BE REMOVED.

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23 SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SIR.

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25 WAYNE SPINDLER: BOO.

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- 2 HERMAN HERMAN: AS BROUGHT ABOUT EARLIER IS THAT AT MANY TIMES
- 3 ON THIS BOARD, WE HEAR AND SEE HOW THE TECHNICALITIES OF WHAT
- 4 IS PRESENTED OR BEING REPRESENTED IS WHAT YOU WANT TO HEAR. SO
- 5 WE COME OUT --

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- 7 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: BELIEVE ME, NOT ANY OF US EVER WANTS TO
- 8 HEAR MUCH OF WHAT YOU SAY. WE'RE SITTING HERE BECAUSE YOU HAVE
- 9 THE FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT. YOU OPEN YOUR MOUTH. YOU SAY
- 10 WHATEVER COMES TO YOUR MIND. IT'S FINE. WE LISTEN FOR TWO
- 11 MINUTES, PERIOD.

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13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOU HAVE 13 SECONDS. GO.

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15 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: PRETTY PICTURE.

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- 17 HERMAN HERMAN: SO, THE WHOLE POINT OF THE ISSUE HERE IS THE
- 18 VIOLATION OF OUR FIRST AMENDMENT, OUR RIGHT OF EXPRESSION, OUR
- 19 CIVIL RIGHTS TO MENTION THAT..

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME IS EXPIRED.

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- 23 HERMAN HERMAN: ..AT ANY POINT ON ANY MATTER, WE'D LIKE TO BE
- 24 HEARD.

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- 1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE'LL GIVE HIM 20. WE'LL GIVE YOU 20 IF
- 2 YOU MAKE A POINT.

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: 20, GO, FINE.

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- 6 HERMAN HERMAN: 30. 45. SOLD! SO, THE WHOLE POINT NOW, AS WE GO
- 7 FURTHER INTO THE CRISIS HERE IS, MISS HILDA SOLIS, IN YOUR
- 8 PARTICULAR AREA, THERE'S BEEN A K RAIL ON THE SOTO CORRIDOR
- 9 OFF THE SAN BERNADINO FREEWAY ON SOTO. PLEASE ADDRESS THE
- 10 ISSUE WITH THAT BALD MAN, JOSE HUIZAR, WHO CONTINUES TO..

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12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED, SIR.

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14 HERMAN HERMAN: ..PROBLEMATIC ACCESS THERE.

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16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANKS. NEXT WITNESS.

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- 18 WAYNE SPINDLER: YES. I GO AROUND TO A LOT OF MEETINGS AND I
- 19 PLAY THE FAMOUS SHEILA KUEHL SCUMBAG VIDEO, WHICH IS WIDELY
- 20 AVAILABLE NOW, AND PEOPLE LOOK AT ME AND THEY'RE LIKE, WHAT
- 21 DOES THIS MEAN? WELL, IT'S OBVIOUS WHAT IT MEANS. YOU SEE A
- 22 SEPTUAGENARIAN GENTLEMAN, GENTLEMAN, JOHN WALSH --

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24 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I GOT 350,000 LIKES. WHAT DID YOU GET?

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- 1 WAYNE SPINDLER: WELL, YEAH, WELL, YES, YOU'VE BECOME VERY
- 2 POPULAR, AND IT'S BECAUSE -- YES! AND I JUST LOVE TO PLAY IT
- 3 BEFORE LOTS OF PEOPLE SO THEY COULD SEE IT AND UNDERSTAND WHAT
- 4 IT IS AND HOW YOU GET SURROUNDED BY COPS UNLESS YOU VIDEOTAPE
- 5 THE SITUATION, NOT FROM YOUR ONE-SIDED TAPE BUT FROM THE
- 6 PUBLIC SIDE, BECAUSE YOU SURROUNDED HIM WITH ALL THOSE
- 7 SHERIFFS DEPUTIES. YOU WERE GOING TO TAKE HIM OUT THERE.

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- 9 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: AND THEN I TOLD THEM TO LEAVE HIM ALONE,
- 10 DIDN'T I? PLAY THE VIDEO.

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12 WAYNE SPINDLER: BECAUSE YOU WERE BEING VIDEOTAPED.

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- 14 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: NO, BECAUSE I TOLD THEM TO LEAVE HIM ALONE.
- 15 TRY TO TELL THE TRUTH AS YOU SPEAK. YOU'RE NOT REQUIRED TO,
- 16 BUT JUST TRY.

- 18 WAYNE SPINDLER: YOU WERE VIDEOTAPED, AND THAT'S THE REASON WHY
- 19 YOU CALLED OFF YOUR BIG DOGS. [BARKS.] AND THAT'S WHAT IT IS,
- 20 BECAUSE YOU WOULD HAVE TAKEN HIM OUTSIDE AND ARRESTED HIM AND
- 21 YOU WOULD HAVE HARASSED HIM AND THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN ANOTHER
- 22 SITUATION OF EXCESSIVE FORCE. AND THAT'S THE REASON WHY YOU DO
- 23 WHAT YOU DO. I GO UP TO LAKE HUGHES ON SUNDAY. MY ENTIRE GATE
- 24 AND MY ROAD ARE DESTROYED BY A LANDSLIDE BECAUSE OF LAKE
- 25 HUGHES ROAD NOT BEING DRAINAGE PROTECTED. NOW I CAN'T EVEN GET

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- 1 INTO MY RANCH. SO, YOU COME HERE, YOU DESTROY OUR RIGHT TO
- 2 SPEAK WITH YOUR LITTLE GAVELS AND YOUR LITTLE ARMY, AND THEN I
- 3 CAN'T GO UP AND ENJOY MY RANCH. THIS IS THE FORCE OF
- 4 DESTRUCTION. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS NOTHING BUT A BLACK
- 5 HOLE. YOU SHOULD ALL RESIGN AND GET OUT OF OUR LIVES.

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7 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT WITNESS.

- 9 RUTH SARNOFF: I JUST WANTED TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION AN
- 10 ARTICLE THAT YOU MAY HAVE MISSED BECAUSE IT WAS ON NEW YEAR'S
- 11 EVE, DECEMBER 31ST, AND YOU GUYS WERE ON VACATION THEN. BUT
- 12 THE TITLE OF IT IS BIG OIL BRACED FOR WARMING WHILE IT FOUGHT
- 13 REGULATION. AND IT'S A VERY LONG ARTICLE HERE. AND I'LL TRY TO
- 14 PUT IT TOGETHER AND PROVIDE IT TO YOU, BUT YOU CAN GO GET IT.
- 15 IT'S "BIG OIL BRACED FOR WARMING WHILE IT FOUGHT REGULATIONS."
- 16 BASICALLY THEY EVEN DEVELOPED A BUSINESS PLAN THAT WAS BASED
- 17 ON KNOWING THAT GLOBAL WARMING WAS IN FACT TAKING PLACE. THIS
- 18 WAS A PICTURE OF ONE OF THEIR HIGH-RISE DRILLING PLATFORMS,
- 19 AND IT'S REALLY HARD TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE CAN'T FIND A WAY TO
- 20 CREATE LAWS THAT REQUIRE SOME SHARING OF INTERNAL BEHAVIOR OF
- 21 INSTITUTIONS OR BUSINESSES IN A WAY THAT ASSURES THAT YOU
- 22 DON'T HAVE SOMETHING LIKE THIS. THIS DATES ALL THE WAY BACK TO
- 23 1988. AND THEY ALSO WERE RESPONSIBLE ALONG WITH THE KOCH
- 24 BROTHERS AND THE COAL INDUSTRY, THEY'VE CREATED LOTS AND LOTS
- 25 OF THESE PRIVATE N.G.O.S., THEY'RE THINK TANKS, AND THEY SEND

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- 1 STUFF TO THE MEDIA. AND A LOT OF TIMES THEY PRINT IT AND IT
- 2 DOESN'T MATTER.

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

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- 6 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. AND THAT BIT OF
- 7 INFORMATION YOU GAVE OUT EARLIER, MS. KUEHL, ABOUT THE
- 8 HOMELESS PLAN COMING BEFORE THE BOARD NEXT WEEK SHOULD BE
- 9 FASCINATING.

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- 11 SUP. KUEHL, SUP.: FEBRUARY 9TH, SIR. I'M SORRY, NOT NEXT WEEK.
- 12 FEBRUARY 9TH.

- 14 ARNOLD SACHS: WHATEVER. EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY. THIS IS A STORY
- 15 FROM THE L.A. TIMES FROM JANUARY 7TH. GOOD IDEAS COME FROM
- 16 FUNDS. THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES STOOD WITH COUNTY LEADERS AND
- 17 CALLED FOR ELIMINATING HOMELESSNESS IN 10 YEARS. WE'RE NOT
- 18 HERE TO SAY HOW WE CAN MANAGE THE PROBLEM BETTER OR MAKE
- 19 LESSER PROBLEM TO COME UP WITH A PLAN TO END HOMELESSNESS.
- 20 THAT WAS THE YEAR 2003 AND THE MAYOR WAS JIMMY HAHN. SO, WHAT
- 21 EXACTLY HAVE YOU DONE? WHAT PLAN? AND AT THAT TIME ALSO, YOU
- 22 HAD A LOT OF REDEVELOPMENT FUNDS. WHAT EXACT PLAN HAVE YOU
- 23 COME UP WITH IN THAT TIME? THE MONEY AND THE PLANS WENT AWAY.
- 24 THE HOMELESSNESS REMAINED. AND IT'S THE SAME WASH, REPEAT,
- 25 RINSE, LEADERSHIP THAT WE GET OVER AND OVER AGAIN. SO IT

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- 1 SHOULD BE FASCINATING. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, LAST WEEK YOU
- 2 DISCUSSED THAT -- YOU TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE ALAMEDA
- 3 CORRIDOR ON A CALL-BACK, ON A VISIT BACK TO THE BOARD ABOUT AN
- 4 ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA REGARDING THE ARMY CORPS OF LOS ANGELES
- 5 AND ITS FAILURE TO UPKEEP THE LOS ANGELES RIVER. SO I'M
- 6 WONDERING, BECAUSE YOU HEAR A LOT OF THINGS ABOUT HOW WE'RE
- 7 OFF SUBJECT, WE WEREN'T ON SUBJECT AND NO MENTION WAS MADE BY
- 8 THE COUNTY COUNSEL. AND FINALLY, THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE
- 9 STORY ON THE L.A. TIMES ON THURSDAY, A FASCINATING LITTLE
- 10 STORY ABOUT THIS DOCTOR IN ALABAMA. AND HE HAD A CRITICAL --
- 11 SOMEBODY MADE SOME CRITICAL ANALYSIS ABOUT HIM. MARIE WALLACE
- 12 KENNEDY. THE FASCINATING PART IS, SHE WAS A GRANDDAUGHTER OF
- 13 GEORGE WALLACE.

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- 15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME'S EXPIRED. TIME'S EXPIRED. AT THIS
- 16 TIME THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE WILL READ US INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

- 18 AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.: IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 19 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD
- 20 OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
- 21 NO. C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
- 22 LITIGATION, ITEM NO. C.S.-3, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE
- 23 EVALUATIONS AND ITEM NO. C.S.-4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
- 24 NEGOTIATOR SACHI A. HAMAI AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON
- 25 THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JANUARY 19, 2016 2 3 4 5 In Open Session item CS-1 was continued one week to January 16, 2016. 6 7 8 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION 9 (Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) Government Code Section 54956.9) Claudia Herrera and Cesar Ortiz v. Los Angeles 10 Unified School District, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court 11 Case No. BC 554552 12 13 This is a wrongful death lawsuit arising from an accidental 14 drowning. (16-0399) 15 16 The Board authorized County Counsel to file a cross-complaint 17 18 in the existing litigation, the details of which will be 19 disclosed once the action is formally commenced to any person upon inquiry. The vote of the Board was 4-0 with Supervisors 20 Solis, Kuehl, Knabe and Antonovich voting aye; and Supervisor 21 22 Ridley-Thomas being absent. 23 There was no reportable action taken on items CS-3 or CS-4. 24

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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do 2 3 hereby certify: That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los 4 Angeles County Board of Supervisors January 19, 2016, 5 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my 6 direction and supervision; 7 8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived 9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by 10 11 me. I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor 12 related to any party to the said action; nor 13 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof. 14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 15 16 25th day of January 2016, for the County records to be used only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts 17 18 as on file of the office of the reporter. 19 20 JENNIFER A. HINES CSR No. 6029/RPR/CRR 21